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## FROM WASHINGTON.

The Administration Again Beaten on Lecompton in the House—California Mail [illegible]—Disputed Election of one of the Kansas Delegate Judges, &c.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, March 11.

[illegible] of the South Americans in the [illegible] day, has greatly confused the Democracy. [illegible] was the test, and the Administration was [illegible] the votes of Messrs. DAVIS, HARRIS and [illegible] of Mississippi; UNDERWOOD and MARSHALL, of Kentucky, and [illegible], of North Carolina.

[illegible] of Lecompton to 112 Anti-Lecompton. If the absentees had been present, including the [illegible], the vote would have stood 111 Lecompton [illegible] Anti-Lecompton.

Mr. SCOTT, of California, is preparing a bill to regulate the west coast mail transportation to California [illegible] $300,000 to $600,000, and to divide the business between three lines.

The Select Committee in the House on Printing, Engraving and Binding will favor the contract system. A minority report will advocate a Printing Bureau.

News has reached here that ISAAC MUNDAY, one of the Judges of Election at Delaware Crossing, Kansas, for the 9th of January was murdered for swearing that only 43 legal votes were cast on that day.

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[FROM THE REPORTER FOR THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

WASHINGTON, Thursday, March 11.

The Anti-Lecompton[illegible] are in fine spirits to-night, anticipating a victory to-morrow on the movement of Mr. HARRIS, of Illinois, to-day in the House. Messrs. BLAIR, of Wisconsin; DAVIS, HARRIS, and RIVES, of Maryland; GUIRIE, of North Carolina, and [illegible], of Kentucky, are the only members from the Slave States voting with the majority of fifteen, on the Speaker's decision against Mr. HARRIS' question of privilege. These, with the exception of [illegible], represent the American party. The Lecompton claim that on a previous vote, by which the roll of the House was refused by nine majority, twenty-two of their friends, and only five of the Anti-Lecompton were absent.

## XXXVth CONGRESS.....First Session.

SENATE.....WASHINGTON, Thursday, March 11.

Mr. DAWSON presented a memorial from citizens of Pennsylvania, favoring a line of mail steamers between the city of Philadelphia and the Empire of Brazil. Mr. BRODERICK also presented a resolution, calling on the President for the instructions sent to the U. S. Marshal in Utah.

Mr. BIGLER withdrew his motion for an evening session.

Mr. FOOT spoke in favor of Kansas. She had all the requisites for admission. She had a Constitution which no one except the Senator from Connecticut claimed was in form. That instrument is the deliberate voice of the people in pursuance of law, with all the forms necessary to insure the free expression of the wish of the people. Congress could only ask, is that Constitution republican? In this respect he considered it as unexceptionable as that of any State in the Union. Mr. FOOT then proceeded to refute, seriatim, the alleged election frauds and information, denying the statements of WALKER, STANTON and others—that a majority of the voters had been intimidated, and that the Missourians had invaded the polls in Kansas. There was no necessity, he argued, for such a course, as enough Pro-Slavery men were already in the Territory to control the election. As to armed invasions from Missouri, he thought the Senator who reiterate the stories concerning them were practising on the credulity of the country. That the Missouri emigrants should have come to Kansas armed, may have seemed strange and startling to immigrants from the poor-houses and jails of the foreign cities—but to people acquainted with frontier life it was nothing unusual. The Missouri immigrants did not use their rifles; they merely exercised their choice, and voted peaceably, returning to Missouri to escape the severities of the Winter, and intending to return in the Spring for a permanent residence. The Northern immigrants on the contrary, throughout the cities, came to vote, and to settle down for no other purpose. Before this invasion, it was no wonder, that the Missourians returned to the homes marked out by them in order to protect their interests. Mr. FOOT then gave the general ground of his opinion why the Lecompton Constitution should pass, restating mainly the arguments of Mr. STEPHENS' majority report, from the House Kansas Committee. He concluded by asserting that all inhabitants of Kansas are not resident Democrats. They are solid men, anxious for a home. The true course to give that home was the passage of the Lecompton bill.

Mr. BENJAMIN, of Louisiana, commenced by saying that if Judges had committed a wrong, it was the duty of the Judiciary Committee to fell the stroke. He concluded with an eulogium upon them with a [illegible] fulsomeness that will yet bring them to the Chief Magistrate of the United States. Previous to touching the Kansas question, he would show that it was not a new doctrine, that Slavery was established by the Constitution in the South. Slavery, he argued, was the creature of the common law, in which country it existed and was [illegible] by both the common and statute law as far back as the days of Queen ELIZABETH, who herself was a Slaver. Our ancestors brought the laws and institutions of England to this continent as their birthright, and hence Slavery was the common law of the thirteen original colonies. He here cited much historical data, tracing the history of Slavery on the continents down to the American Revolution, when then it was the common law of the whole Confederacy. Thus Slavery, he further contended, was the common law upon the thirteen colonies, and against the urgent remonstrances of its Northern portion; and had not the United States abolished it by positive legislation would be Slave States yet. Now then, he asked, what was the Slavery? Slavery is not recognized by the Constitution of the United States? [illegible] proceeded to a defence of the Supreme Court in the Dred Scott case, controverting the assertions of the Senators from Maine and Vermont, that the Constitution of the United States does not recognize property in slaves. He said he never heard that assertion before the Senator from Maine uttered it. He here introduced several illustrations, referring to the Patent, Copyright and other laws, and also cited the case of Prigg vs. the State of Delaware, reading Judge MCLEAN's opinion in that case, deciding that the rights of the owners in slaves as property are guaranteed by the Constitution. He dwelt at great length on the Dred Scott case, commenting severely on the Judges who delivered the minority report. He now approached, with extreme pain, another point. He had been accustomed to reverence the Judges of the land as those who by their eminence and spotless purity of fame stood high above the breath of suspicion. The time of Judges had culminated in a marshal, and the illustrious man who had succeeded him, it was enough to say that he is worthy to be the successor of great men. He then paid a glowing eulogium on TANEY; and yet this man, he continued, so pure, so noble, so good, has been compared by the Senator from Maine, to the infamous JEFFREYS, and he concluded the Senator from New-York with having charged collusion with the Chief Magistrate of the United States. It was difficult to sit and listen to such insinuations without the blood boiling to the brain. He read from various documents to show that Dred Scott's case was in the Missouri Courts before Mr. BUCHANAN went to England, before the Lecompton act was passed. Hence it was impossible, as Mr. SEWARD had insinuated, that the Chief Justice and the President could have plotted at cards with Dred Scott playing dummy. The Senate of the United States to be insulted with language like this? Shame on the Senator who uttered charges like these without the shadow of a proof. He concluded with a few remarks touching the Kansas question, ridiculing the Topeka Constitution and denouncing its authors as a miserable rabble, who, having insisted on Topeka or nothing, would get nothing. But Kansas, he assured them, would not be kept bleeding through another Presidential campaign.

The Senate passed the House Printing Deficiency Bill, and adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, March 11.

The bill for the increase of the Army by volunteers was taken up.

Mr. SCHERMERHORN, of Ohio, favored the bill, but thought that the disturbances in Utah could be quelled in one campaign, and therefore the increase should be merely temporary. He was not in favor of regulars for this duty, and was opposed to an increase of Executive power at this time, because he had no confidence that it would be properly applied. He thought he knew the motive of the Administration in asking the augmentation of the army. It had staked its existence on the admission of Kansas under the Lecompton Constitution, and wanted the additional patronage of 180 army commissions. Kansas admitted, CALHOUN will certify the Pro-Slavery members of the Legislature, and if a disturbance results therefrom, the Executive will have a pretext for using the troops in Kansas. He asserted as a Constitutional principle, that the President has not the power to use the Standing Army except in cases of open public war with a foreign country or of rebellion in a State or Territory, or to repel invasion. Therefore he condemned their employment in the Boston Fugitive Slave law case, in Kansas, or, as last Summer, in Washington, during the Municipal election.

Mr. HARRIS, of Illinois, rose to a question of privilege, saying that he and six others, members of the House Kansas Committee, felt it due to themselves to present facts, showing the failure of the Committee to execute the orders of the House.

Mr. LEUCHER asked if this was a privileged question.

The Speaker thought it was not.

Mr. HARRIS appealed from the decision of the Speaker.

Mr. STEPHENS moved to lay the appeal on the table.

The House refused to do so by 97 against 112.

Mr. HUMPHREY MARSHALL, of Tennessee, moved that the question be postponed until to-morrow.

Mr. STEPHENS had no objection, provided the majority report be then made.

Mr. HARRIS had no objection to embody that report in the journal and minutes of the Committee which he intended to present. He found that the report was published in the *Union* of to-day, and he thought it singular that it should be spread before the country, in contravention of Parliamentary law and the rules of the House. But he was not willing that the report should be made as the report of the Committee, as he, with six other members of the Committee, declared that the Committee has not discharged its duties under the terms of the resolution appointing them.

A further discussion ensued on this point, when Mr. MARSHALL's motion was agreed to.

The House, in Committee of the Whole, briefly debated the Diplomatic Appropriation bill, and directed that it be reported to the House, with the recommendation that it pass.

The House next took up the Deficiency Appropriation bill.

Mr. CASS, of Ind., made an Anti-Lecompton speech.

Mr. BOYCE, of South Carolina, discussed our policy with regard to the Mormon question. He thought the practicable object to be sought is the preservation of our communication with the Pacific. There are two modes to settle this question—peaceably and by war. The former is the most humane and economical, and therefore the best; while the latter would conduce to such a state of affairs as would make a hell for a thousand years of the passes to the Pacific.

The Committee then rose, and the House adjourned.

## NEW-YORK LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.....ALBANY, Wednesday, March 11.

PETITIONS.

By Mr. BOARDMAN, for the equalization of freight charges on railroads.

By Mr. PATTERSON, to reimpose toll on railroads.

By Mr. HUBBELL, to allow railroads to charge additional fare. Also, to allow the New-Jersey Northern Railroad to build a portion of their road in this State.

REPORTS.

By Mr. ELY, favorably, to erect a new City Hall in New-York.

By Mr. NOXON, favorably, relative to certain affidavits in criminal proceedings.

To amend the Revised Statutes relative to the duties and compensation of Executive Departments.

Favorably, to amend the law relating to divorces.

NOTICES.

By Mr. DARLING, to provide for a fair equalization of the State taxes among the several Counties of the State.

By Mr. NOXON, to reduce the fees under the code of procedure in cases of default.

By Mr. BRANDEBURN, to amend the law relative to the formation of gas-light companies.

Also, to amend the charter of the Provident Fund Society.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

To provide for the collection of costs awarded in special cases.

By Mr. SMITH, to incorporate the Ravenswood Lyceum.

By Mr. FOOTE, to amend the charter of the Excelsior Medical College of New-York.

By Mr. ELY, to repeal the law organizing the Wardens of the Port of New-York.

By Mr. SPINOLA, to increase the number of Harbor-masters of New-York to 16, and fix their salary.

BILLS PASSED.

To repeal the law allowing Railroad Companies to assess their own property.

The bill amending the law of 1857 relative to Port Wardens' was referred back to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. PRATT offered a resolution that the Committee on Literature be instructed to inquire into the expediency of reducing the number and increasing the length of the term of office of members of the Board of Education in the City of New-York, and whether it would not be advisable to prescribe some additional conditions of eligibility of members of such Board.

The bill relating to the Metropolitan Police was then taken up and debated. It was made the special order for Tuesday next, at noon.

EVENING SESSION.

The Senate reassembled at 7½ P. M., and went into Committee of the Whole on the Kansas concurrent resolutions.

Mr. SPINOLA, Mr. J. D. WILLARD and Mr. JOHNSON spoke, when the Senate adjourned.

ASSEMBLY.....ALBANY, Thursday, March 11.

The morning session was occupied in debating the bill to amend the International Bridge Charter, by abolishing the clause obliging the company to keep a steam-tug at the draw, and to open the draw at all times to passing vessels.

Strong opposition was made by Messrs. HUTCHINSON VANNORN, DAYTON and others.

Progress was reported on the bill to extend the time of the Commission to examine into the condition of the Public Schools in New-York, and it was then ordered to a third reading.

### The Detention of the America.

BOSTON, Thursday, March 11.

The British mail steamship *America* left for Liverpool via Halifax, at 3½ o'clock, P. M., as announced yesterday. She was detained a short time by touching on the mud, the tide being unfavorable, which is the extent of her being aground. She passed Boston light 4½ o'clock.

HALIFAX TELEGRAPH OFFICE,
Thursday Night, 10 o'clock.

A heavy snow-storm prevails to-night along the coast as far as Cape Sable, and as the *America* did not leave Boston as early as usual yesterday, by four or five hours, she is not likely to arrive here before 9 to 11 o'clock to-morrow forenoon. For the accommodation of the business public, the lines will connect through with New-York at 8 o'clock to-morrow morning, and dispatches left at our office, No. 21 Wall street, will be likely to arrive here in season to be put on board the steamer.

### Massachusetts Legislature.

BOSTON, Thursday, March 11.

The address for the removal of Judge LORING passed the House to-day by 127 Yeas to 106 Nays. Its fate in the Senate is doubtful.

### Marine Disasters.

THE SCHOONER G. D. COOK IN DISTRESS—THE BRITISH SCHOONER UNCLE TOM ASHORE.

MARYLAND BEACH, Thursday, March 11.

The schooner *G. D. Cook*, from New-York for Richmond, put in here to-day with loss of foresail and anchor. She will proceed on her voyage to-morrow.

The British schooner *Uncle Tom*, from Halifax for City Point, is ashore on Hampton Bar. Assistance has gone down to her. She will get off by discharging part of her cargo.

LOSS OF SCHOONER J. & P. CHASE—CREW SAVED.

BOSTON, Mass., Thursday, March 11.

The schooner *J. & P. Chase*, from Gloucester for New-York, with a cargo of mackerel, went ashore on the east end of Nantucket on Monday night. Crew and part of the cargo saved. The vessel is a total loss.

### Important from Mexico.

GROWING OPPOSITION TO THE NEW GOVERNMENT—ITS DOWNFALL CERTAIN—BATTLE EXPECTED—GEN. ALVAREZ IN THE FIELD AGAINST ZULOAGA.

NEW-ORLEANS, Thursday, March 11.

The steamer *Tennessee* with dates from Vera Cruz to the 7th, and from the City of Mexico to the 5th inst., has arrived here.

The papers are filled with the details of civil war in the States of Guerrero, Michoacan, Queretaro and Guanajuato which display the strongest disaffection to the new Government.

Generals DOBLADO, PAREDI and ANTRAGA are fortified at Celaya in the State of Guanajuato.

Six thousand men, and twenty-seven pieces of artillery, belonging to the Government forces, were near Celaya, awaiting reinforcements, where it was supposed an action would take place.

Robbery after robbery was reported.

General ALVAREZ was in the field, with 3,000 cavalry, against the new Government.

The downfall of ZULOAGA was considered certain. It was rumored that the new Government already pronounced for, at Guadalajara and Garzes, has possession of Tampico, which was in the Federal interest.

The whole country was in a lamentable condition.

### News from Kansas.

ST. LOUIS, Thursday, March 11.

Advices from Kansas state that Gov. DENVER has issued a proclamation, pronouncing a circular purporting to be instructions for enrolling the Kansas militia, and signed J. H. LANE, to be illegal, and a usurpation of power.

[We understand that a private letter received in this City from Kansas states that Mr. MUNDAY, who was reported by telegraph to have been killed by political opponents, accidentally shot himself, and that his death had nothing whatever to do with the political disturbances of the Territory.]

### The Southern Mail.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, March 11.

The Southern mail from all points, as late as due, is to hand, but brings no news of importance.

### A Murderer Sentenced.

BRANFORD, N. Y., Wednesday, March 11.

JOHN NICHOLS was to-day sentenced to be hung on Sept. 8, for the murder of EDMOND BURNS.

### The Steamer Canada.

BOSTON, Thursday, March 11—11 P. M.

The weather is quite thick below and there is little prospect of the steamer *Canada* coming up to-night. Wind fresh and blowing from the northwest.

### New-Hampshire Election.

CONCORD, N. H., Thursday, March 11.

Two hundred and twelve towns give HALE 4,976 majority.

The House stands so far 191 Republicans to 80 Democrats.

### Weather Reports.

By the Northern, Eastern, Western, and Southern Telegraph Lines—Office No. 21 Wall-street.

| Places. | Time. Mar. 11 | Wind. | Ther. | Remarks. |
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| Oswego, N. Y. | A. M. | S. | 10° as | Raining. |
| Calais, Me. | A. M. | W. | 16° as | Calm. |
| Eastport, Me. | A. M. | W. | 20° as | Clear. |
| Portland, Me. | A. M. | N. E. | 25° as | Cloudy. |
| Bangor, Me. | A. M. | W. | 21° as | Clear. |
| Albany, N. Y. | 9 a. M. | S. | 40° as | Cloudy. |
| Montreal, C. E. | A. M. | — | 27° as | Cloudy and mild. |
| Quebec, Up. t'n | A. M. | — | 16° as | ——— |
| Quebec, Pr. t'n. | A. M. | — | 18° as | ——— |
| Washington | M. | S. | 52° as | Delightful. |
| Boston, Mass. | M. | S. E. | 36° as | Indicating snow. |
| New-York | 6 M. | W. | 44° as | Clear—bar. 30.720. |
| Philadelphia | M. | S. S. W. | 49° as | Clear—bar. 30.46. |
| Baltimore, Md. | M. | S. W. | — | Warm—sum'r-like. |
| Dunkirk, N. Y. | P. M. | S. | — | Warm—pleasant. |
| Hornellsville | P. M. | W. | — | Warm and pleas't. |
| Elmira, N. Y. | P. M. | W. | 50° as | Clear. |
| Fort Jervis | P. M. | W. | — | Mild. |
| Newburg, N. Y. | P. M. | W. | 54° as | Cloudy. |
| Bangor, Me. | P. M. | S. E. | 28° as | Snowing. |
| Eastport, Me. | P. M. | S. S. W. | 28° as | Snowing. |
| Calais, Me. | P. M. | N. E. | 30° as | Snowing. |
| St. John, N. B. | P. M. | S. | 34° as | Like rain. |
| Sackville, Me. | P. M. | W. | 18° as | Clear. |
| Halifax, N. S. | P. M. | S. | 36° as | Hazy. |
| New-York | 4 P. M. | W. | 44° as | Clear. |
| Portland, Me. | P. M. | S. | 35° as | Cloudy. |
| Springfield, M. | P. M. | E. | 30° as | Snowing. |
| Boston, Mass. | P. M. | S. E. | 46° as | Raining. |
| Buffalo, N. Y. | P. M. | W. | 33° as | Clear. |
| Detroit, Mich. | P. M. | — | 45° as | Clear. |
| Pittsburg | P. M. | — | 45° as | Cloudy. |
| Cleveland, O. | P. M. | N. | 42° as | Clear. |
| Toledo, Ohio | P. M. | — | 48° as | Clear. |
| Chicago, Ill. | P. M. | — | 49° as | Clear. |
| Burlington, Ia. | P. M. | — | 39° as | Clear. |
| Rock Island, Ill. | P. M. | W. | 44° as | Clear. |
| Dubuque, Iowa | P. M. | — | 36° as | Clear. |
| Janesville, Wis. | P. M. | W. | 46° as | Clear. |
| Springfield, Ill. | P. M. | — | 42° as | Cloudy. |
| Galena, Ill. | P. M. | N. W. | 37° as | Cloudy. |
| Prairie du Chien | P. M. | N. | 40° as | Clear. |
| Fond du Lac | P. M. | — | 32° as | Clear. |
| Portage City | P. M. | — | 43° as | Clear. |
| Milwaukee, Wis. | P. M. | — | 40° as | Clear. |
| Bedford, Pa. | P. M. | W. | 38° as | Cloudy. |
| Philadelphia | P. M. | N. W. | 46° as | Clear. |
| Carlisle, Pa. | P. M. | W. | 44° as | Cloudy. |
| Harrisburg, Pa. | P. M. | N. W. | 43° as | Clear. |
| Lancaster, Pa. | P. M. | S. W. | 50° as | Clear. |

### Fires.

FIRE IN LIBERTY-STREET.—About 6 o'clock Wednesday evening a fire was discovered in the basement of No. 108 Liberty-street, occupied by POZARS & BROWNS, shirt manufacturers. The stock was damaged about $500 worth. Insured for $2,000 in the Amsterdam Insurance Company; $2,000 in the Manhattan; and $1,500 in the Irving. The first floor was occupied by A. FRANK & Co., fancy dry goods. Their stock was slightly damaged by smoke; fully insured. The fire originated in the rear basement. Mr. FRANK fortunately discovered it in time to give the alarm before it got under much headway.

FIRE IN BROADWAY.—Shortly after 1 o'clock yesterday morning, a fire broke out in the basement of No. 49 Broadway, occupied by MARCUS & SCHMITZ, as a cigar store. Messrs. MARCUS & SCHMITZ estimate their loss at $2,000. Insured in the Astor Fire Insurance Company for $1,000. The building belonged to REINHARDT & KIRKE; it was damaged $200 worth. Fully insured.

FALSE ALARM.—At 1½ o'clock yesterday morning, a false alarm of fire was rung for the Eighth District.

### Coroner's Inquest.

ANTE-MORTEM EXAMINATION.—Coroner CONNERY, yesterday, took the *ante-mortem* examination of MRS. BARBARA HANDS, who was stabbed in the head with a pair of shears a few days since, at her residence, No. 86 Avenue B, by JOSEPH BECK, a journeyman tailor in the employ of her husband. She states that BECK and herself had a dispute relative to the payment of a wash-bill, when she became enraged at BECK, and seizing a mop, struck him over the head. He seized her by the throat, and stabbed her in the neck and on the hands with a pair of shears; after which she ran away. Dr. FISHER gave it as his opinion that the injured woman would not survive. BECK has been arrested and locked up to await the result of her injuries.

COMMISSIONERS OF EMIGRATION.—The Board met on Wednesday, but transacted no business. The following is the weekly report:

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| No. of emigrants arrived to March 3, 1858 | | | 4,757 |
| No. of emigrants arrived since to March 10 | | | 185 |
| Total | | | 4,942 |
| To same date in 1857 | | | 10,994 |
| | 1858. | 1857. | 1856. |
| No inmates in Institution on Ward's Island | 1,702 | 1,615 | 1,899 |
| No. inmates in Marine Hospital | 106 | 108 | 150 |
| Total | 1,808 | 1,723 | 2,049 |

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| Balance in bank, Jan. 1 | | $32,154 89 |
| Aggregate receipts to March 3 | $10,599 01 | |
| Receipts since, to March 10, for commutation of alien passengers, &c. | 1,719 73— | 12,318 74 |
| Total | | $44,473 63 |
| Disbursements as per previous account, to March 3 | $28,694 03 | |
| Sundry expenses of Feb. 24 and March 3 | 4,432 10— | 33,126 13 |
| Balance of Commutation Fund | | $11,347 45 |

GEO. W. WHEELER, Treasurer.

## THE ARMY.

### The Harney and Sumner Affair.

Court-Martial at Carlisle Barracks.

CARLISLE BARRACKS, Penn., Wednesday, March 10, 1858.

General W. S. HARNEY and Colonel EDWIN V. SUMNER, the parties to the difficulty now to be passed upon by this Court-Martial, both reached town this morning, and put up at separate hotels. I find that a strong feeling of sympathy for Colonel SUMNER exists among the people of the place. This arises in part from the old acquaintanceship between him and them. Before the time of the Mexican War, Colonel SUMNER was stationed in command at this post, and by his popular manners and the good order maintained among his soldiers, endeared himself to the citizens. It is natural that the pending trial should be regarded here with a great deal of interest. Of the merits of the case, the public can know nothing until the production of the testimony.

The Court-Martial opened at the Barracks at 11 o'clock this morning. Two of the officers detailed for service upon it were, however, detained by bodily infirmity, and this cause, together with a demand from Col. SUMNER for the presence of an officer now in St. Louis, who is deemed a material witness for the defence, operated to shorten the proceedings materially; so that in reality nothing has been done to-day. Upon the organization of the Court, the duty of presiding officer fell to Quartermaster-General JESUP. At the General's right, sat Gen. PERSIFER F. SMITH; at his left, Gen. SYLVESTER CHURCHILL, Inspector-General of the Army. At the end of the table sat Col. JOSEPH P. TAYLOR, Lieut. Colonel of the Subsistence Department, a brother of the late lamented Gen. ZACHARY TAYLOR, and so like him that the resemblance is instantly recognizable. Near Col. TAYLOR sat Col. GEO. B. CRITTENDEN, of the Mounted Rifles, a son of Senator CRITTENDEN, and the present commander at this post. The Judge-Advocate, Major JOHN F. LEE, sat opposite the President.

The formal organization having been completed, the parties whose names are brought prominently forward as the principal actors in the scene took up their positions—Gen. HARNEY, the accuser, occupied the back room, which opened by folding doors into the apartment occupied by the Court; Col. SUMNER, the defendant in the case, remained with the Court in the front room. Neither was attended by counsel to-day. Very few spectators were present, and they were chiefly officers belonging to the post, attired in undress uniform.

The Court being now ready to proceed to business, the Judge-Advocate inquired of Col. SUMNER if he wished to wait for anything?

Col. SUMNER replied that he would prefer to wait for Col. LEE, then ill. In response to another query, the Colonel declared he had no objection to offer to any officer then present, detailed for duty at the Court.

Judge-Advocate LEE then read the order convening the Court, as follows:

WAR DEPARTMENT, ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, March 2, 1858.

SPECIAL ORDERS—No. 33.—By direction of the President of the United States, a General Court-Martial will assemble at Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania, at 11 o'clock, A. M., on Wednesday, the 10th day of March, 1858, or as soon thereafter as practicable, for the trial of Colonel EDWIN V. SUMNER, of the 1st Regiment of Cavalry.

*Detail for the Court.*

Brevet Major-General Thomas S. Jesup, Quarter-Master General.
Brevet Major-General John E. Wool.
Brevet Major-General Persifer F. Smith.
Brevet Brigadier-General Sylvester Churchill, Inspector-General.
Colonel Joseph Plympton, 10th Infantry.
Colonel Francis Lee, 2d Infantry.
Brevet Colonel Justin Dimick, Lieutenant-Colonel 2d Artillery.
Brevet Colonel Joseph P. Taylor, Lieutenant-Colonel Subsistence Department.
Colonel Henry K. Craig, Ordnance Department.
Lieutenant-Colonel George B. Crittenden, Regiment Mounted Riflemen.
Brevet Major John F. Lee, Judge-Advocate.

No other officers than those named can be convened without manifest injury to the service.

By order of the Secretary of War:
S. COOPER, Adjutant-General.

Major J. F. LEE, Judge-Advocate.

A telegraphic dispatch from General WOOL, dated at Washington, was then read, anouncing his inability to be present.

Some consultation now took place as to the hours of meeting, and the propriety of an immediate adjournment till to-morrow. The decision to adjourn at once, to meet at 9 A. M. to-morrow, and continue in session till 3 P. M., was finally announced,—when Colonel SUMNER rose to inform the Court that he should need Colonel CROSSMAN as a witness, to show the origin of the difficulty between himself and General HARNEY; that this officer was in St. Louis, but that he considered his presence here indispensable.

The Court reserved decision upon granting an order for the appearance of Colonel CROSSMAN until to-morrow; upon that decision turns the question of the length of the session of the Court. Should it be decided to send for Colonel CROSSMAN, he would require at least three days to reach Carlisle, even if apprised by the telegraph of the necessity of his presence. Colonel SUMNER pressed the importance of this officer's evidence, on the ground that he was present at the beginning of the difficulty, and is cognizant of all the facts. Colonel CROSSMAN is attached to the Quartermaster's Department.

Pending the question, the Court-Martial adjourned until to-morrow.

Of course, in this incomplete state of preparation for the trial, the specific charges and specifications against Colonel SUMNER are not yet made public property. I may indicate the leading points of General HARNEY's charges and the reasons assigned. The charges are three in number, viz.:

1. Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline.

2. Sending a challenge to another officer to fight a duel, in violation of article XXV. of the articles of war.

3. Upbraiding an officer for refusing a challenge, in violation of article XXVIII. of the articles of war.

The alleged proofs of these violations of the regulations consist of two letters, addressed by Col. SUMNER to General HARNEY, in Washington. These letters read as follows:

LETTER NO. 1.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Monday, Feb. 15, 1858.

SIR: As more than 24 hours have passed since my note to you of yesterday, I have a right to presume that you do not intend to answer it. I have, therefore, to invite you to leave this city with me to-morrow evening, to go to any place you may designate. I send this note privately, to avoid committing any friend as long as possible. An early answer is requested.

I am, with due regard,
E. V. SUMNER,
Colonel 1st Cavalry.

Brevet Brigadier-General W. S. HARNEY.

LETTER NO. 2.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Tuesday, Feb. 16, 1858.

SIR: I received, with great surprise, your note last evening, and have only to say to you that a man who could insult a brother officer for an official act, and afterwards refuse to apologize, or to give him that satisfaction which a man has a right to demand, is utterly unworthy of any further notice from me.

I am, &c.,
E. V. SUMNER,
Colonel 1st Cavalry.

Brevet Brigadier-General W. S. HARNEY.

The letter of Gen. HARNEY to which No. 2 above is a reply, is not at hand, but it is simply a declination to accompany the Colonel out of the District for any purpose of a hostile meeting. I give Col. SUMNER's letters because I propose immediately to produce the two sections of the Articles of War which General HARNEY claims to have been violated by the sending of these letters respectively. The letter of the army regulations is plain enough, both in articles 25 and 28. The sending of a challenge must be proved, however, before the offender can be made amenable. The articles read as follows:

SENDING A CHALLENGE A CRIME.

ART. 25. No officer or soldier shall send a challenge to another officer or soldier to fight a duel, or accept a challenge if sent, upon pain, if a commissioned officer, of being cashiered; if a non-commissioned officer or soldier, of suffering corporal punishment at the discretion of a Court-Martial.

REFUSING A CHALLENGE A CRIME.

ART. 28. Any officer or soldier who shall upbraid another for refusing a challenge shall himself be punished as a challenger; and all officers or soldiers are hereby discharged from any disgrace or opinion of disadvantage which might arise from their having refused to accept of challenges, as they will only have acted in obedience to the laws and done their duty as good soldiers who subject themselves to discipline.

There is the law, and there is the offence charged as having been committed against the law aforesaid. The case is likely to be interesting, but very considerably lengthy, if the Court happen to favor Colonel SUMNER's application for his St. Louis witness.

I am desired to correct the only inaccuracy into which your Washington correspondent has fallen in the accounts he has given of this difficulty. Colonel SUMNER is not under sentence of suspension. The sentence of the Court-martial in the Dean case having been remitted by the reviewing officer, General SMITH, Colonel SUMNER is therefore in the enjoyment of his full rank and pay. M.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

CARLISLE, Penn., Thursday, March 11.

The Court-Martial to try Colonel SUMNER met this morning. All the members were present except General WOOL, who is still sick. Colonel SUMNER was arraigned on two charges:

*First*—For the prejudice of good order and military discipline.

*Second*—For violation of the Article of War prohibiting the sending of a challenge to fight a duel.

Colonel SUMNER pleads "Not Guilty."

The prosecution presents the correspondence between the parties, and rests its case upon it.

The following are the specifications against Col. SUMNER:

*Specification first*—That Col. SUMNER did at Syracuse, on the 16th of January, 1858, attempt to make a personal affair with General HARNEY, out of an official matter, namely, an answer made by General HARNEY in response to questions of the Court Martial at Fort Leavenworth, concerning his prejudice or bias against Col. SUMNER.

*Second*—That Col. SUMNER did at Washington, on the 15th of February, 1858, on account of General HARNEY's refusal to reply to the interrogatories, send a challenge in violation of the twenty-fifth article of War.

*Third*—The charge is upbraiding another officer, for refusing a challenge in violation of the twenty-eighth article of war. And the specification is contained in the letter of Col. SUMNER of the 16th of February.

The following is an abstract of the correspondence submitted in evidence:

A letter from SUMNER to HARNEY, dated St. Louis, Feb. 14, 1857, asking HARNEY to meet him at St. Louis to settle the difficulty.

A letter from PERSIFER SMITH, General HARNEY's adjutant, to Colonel SUMNER, returning his letter by HARNEY's order.

A letter from SUMNER to HARNEY, from Syracuse, fixing the 20th of March as a day to meet HARNEY at St. Louis. It is dated the 18th of January, and propounds the query whether HARNEY intended personal disrespect by his language at the Court Martial at Leavenworth.

A letter from SUMNER to HARNEY, dated Syracuse Jan. 22, censuring him for violating the sanctity of a private letter, and denying that he was under HARNEY's orders.

A letter from SUMNER to HARNEY, dated Syracuse, Jan. 24, altering the time of meeting to the 12th of March.

A letter from SUMNER to HARNEY, dated Washington, Feb. 14, repeating the queries put from Syracuse.

A letter from SUMNER to HARNEY, dated Washington, Feb. 15, inviting HARNEY to leave the city the next day for any place that HARNEY might designate. This is the letter which it is charged was sent as a challenge.

A letter from HARNEY to SUMNER, dated Washington, Feb. 15, acknowledging the receipt of SUMNER's note of Feb. 14 and others; denouncing the former as improper to be addressed to his (SUMNER's) commanding officer, and stating his (HARNEY's) intention to bring it to the notice of a Court-Martial.

A letter from SUMNER to HARNEY, dated Washington, Feb. 16, acknowledging the receipt of HARNEY's letter, and stigmatizing HARNEY's action in insulting his brother officer and in refusing him apology or satisfaction, as conduct utterly unworthy of further notice.

A transcript of the proceedings at Fort Leavenworth were accepted by the Court as evidence, showing HARNEY's language and SUMNER's reply.

The first witness for the defence, Col. FRANCIS LEE, confirmed the evidence of the transcript of proceedings.

Col. SUMNER said he should require the evidence of Col. HARRIS, of the Marine Corps, to prove his intention.

The Court was cleared to deliberate, and it was decided to admit the evidence, when the Court adjourned.

Col. HARRIS arrived this afternoon, and will be examined to-morrow, which will probably close the proceedings of the Court.

Colonel SUMNER is assisted in his defence by Hon. F. WATTS.

### City Items.

At a meeting of the American Geological and Statistical Society, Thursday evening, HENRY E. PETERSTOWN, Esq., presiding, the section of the Society on Meteorology was organized. A paper was read by J. DREUTZENSTEIN, on the influence of climate upon civilization, and the distribution and condition of the animal and vegetable kingdoms. The Recording Secretary offered some remarks on the distribution of certain orders of animals, and explained the structure of a barometer then exhibited. It was resolved that meetings of the section be held on the second Monday of the subsequent months of the season.

There was a great crush of colored people last evening at the Shiloh Presbyterian Church, corner of Prince and Marion streets, on the occasion of the first anniversary of "The I. O. of the J. R. Giddings and Jolliffe Union Association of the City of New-York." Delegations, in full regalia, were present from fifteen other male and female colored societies. The exercises consisted of singing, speech-making and recitations. All passed off very pleasantly.

A gentleman from New-Jersey, at the North Dutch prayer meeting on Wednesday, spoke of the interesting morning prayer meetings held in the lecture-room of the First Presbyterian Church, Newark, and said that among the late converts was Ex-Governor PENNINGTON; he and a converted Roman Catholic Irish servant-girl lately united with the First Presbyterian Church on the same day.

The revival in the Market-street Reformed Dutch Church (Rev. Dr. CUYLER's) continues with unabated interest. We learn that between forty and fifty persons have applied for admission into church-membership at the next communion season on Sunday week. A large number of the converts are young men.

The funeral of Dr. WILLIAM TURNER took place yesterday, at his residence, in Fourth avenue, and was very largely attended, some seventy or eighty persons being present. The services were those of the Swedenborgian Church, and were conducted by Professor BUSH. The corpse was interred in Greenwood Cemetery.

The investigation of the charges preferred by the Comptroller against Messrs. SMITH and FITZPATRICK, was to have been continued yesterday before Recorder BARNARD, but in consequence of Mr. GRAHAM's absence it was postponed to Wednesday next.

ROGER MOFFAT, of No. 28 Van Brunt-street, Brooklyn, was arrested and committed yesterday on a charge of receiving stolen goods. WILLIAM CARR was arrested charged with being concerned in stealing the same goods.

Coroner GAMBLE yesterday held inquests on the bodies of EMMA MCMAHUS, aged 10, and JAMES MCLAUGHLIN, aged 3 years, both of whom were burned to death. Verdicts, in both cases, "accidental death."

By the bursting of a water pipe at No. 86 Nassau-street yesterday morning, the occupants of the building sustained a damage of several thousand dollars.

The New-York correspondent of the Portland *Advertiser* names GEORGE LAW as among the subjects of the great awakening; we hear it from no other source.

FROM ST. DOMINGO.—By an arrival from St. Domingo, we learn that BAEZ still holds his own against SANTA ANNA, and is supplied with provisions, &c., in abundance from CURACOA. He has purchased a number of Curacoa schooners and has converted them into men-of-war.

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Visit to the Navy Yard.

The Turkish Admiral and suite made an official visit down the bay yesterday, on board the revenue-cutter *Harriet Lane*, after paying a visit to the Navy-Yard, and as the day was [illegible] the objects he inspected [illegible] see, his Highness must have felt [illegible] and enjoyed himself better than on any [illegible] since his arrival.

At 10½ A. M., the hour previously appointed, the Aldermanic Committee, with the carriages, [illegible] the St. Nicholas, and received the distinguished guests. At the City Hall they stopped [illegible] the Mayor, and then drove immediately to the Yard. They reached the Navy Yard a few minutes past 11 A. M., and were met at the gate by Captain [illegible], Acting Commander of the Yard, with Capt. [illegible], Commander of the Navy-Yard; Captain [illegible], Lieutenants WARDEN, DRAKE, CORV

# ADDITIONAL FROM EUROPE.

## The Resignation of Lord Palmerston—The Leviathan, &c.

We obtain some further intelligence of interest from our files of European papers by the *Kangaroo*.

As the most interesting feature in the news is the resignation of the Palmerston Ministry, we give numerous extracts from London journals commenting on that event. The London *Times* says:

"The defeat of the present Administration on the Chinese question (Mr. COBDEN's amendment) carried on the 3d of March, 1857. On that occasion the majority against them was 16, the numbers (with and the Speaker) a House of 515 members. On Friday last the numbers (including Speaker) a House of 658 members. The almost perfect identity of the majority will not escape notice."

"The London *News* has reason to know that the majority against the Government on Friday night would have been larger than it was but for the fact that several members mistook the lobby, and went out for Ministers when they supposed they were voting for Mr. MILNER GIBSON's resolution.

We read in the London *Times* of the 26th ult.:

"The *William Singer* freight ship, Capt. J. PARLEY, got ashore on Sunday at Brook Ledge, (where Her Majesty's frigate *Sphynx* was stranded some years ago,) at the back of the Isle of Wight, and was in some danger. She was bound from Callao, laden with guano. On the disaster being notified to the United States Consular Agent at Cowes, two tugs were promptly sent off to her assistance, and on application to the American Vice-Consul at Portsmouth, (Chevalier PAPPALARDO,) Admiral Sir GEORGE SEYMOUR, the Commander-in-Chief, promptly dispatched the tug Hecla with hands, hawsers and gear, to aid the others. These timely aids were successful, and the ship was towed yesterday into Cowes harbor."

We find the following in the Turin correspondence of the London *News*:

"To conclude my reports from Genoa, I may tell you that the day before yesterday a vessel quitted this port which conveys an *Italian colony to America*. They will disembark in Mexico, and on the river Rocatuis they will found a town, by the name of 'Intra degli Italiani.' Their leader is Colonel LUIGI MARI, a Roman, who has been Secretary to the Prince of CANINO. Whilst residing as a refugee at Nervi, a little town near Genoa, he discovered in the mountains of the Apennines a most abundant mine of pyrites, of the best quality; and having sold his discovery to a French Company, and thus, for a poor man, suddenly become tolerably wealthy, he has now resolved to establish an Italian colony in America. I mention this incident to you, because it is a new thing to us, since by the strange whims of fortune it has happened that in the land which was discovered by the Genoese COLUMBUS, and bears the name of AMERICO VESPUCCI, not even a village has existed in which the Italian flag should wave, or the harmonious language of DANTE should be spoken".

### The Resignation of the Palmerston Ministry.

*From the London Times, (supporter of Lord Palmerston.)*

The first thing we hear of the Earl of DERBY's Cabinet, is that Lord ELLENBOROUGH, who has set out on so remarkably well with the Indian Questions, is to have the Board of Control; and to have the Directors to swallow the control of a man whom they have recalled from India, the Indian Bill is to be thrown to the winds. Such is the waste of Parliamentary time and labor in the hands of amateur statesmen. Of course, Lord MALMESBURY returns to the Foreign Office, and the British nation, having performed only a half-prostration to NAPOLEON III., and made only half amends by enduring his objurgations in silence, is now to complete its submission by putting NAPOLEON's private friend and apologist in the Foreign Office. It is not now to be civil to the French Emperor, Lord MALMESBURY is the best master of the ceremonies for the purpose. The Ministry of War is, it seems, to be given to General PEEL, who has shown such wonderful powers of keeping on good terms with everybody by making everything pleasant, and allowing nobody except the newspapers to be in the wrong. When he first takes his seat on the Treasury Bench we trust he will show that the Commander-in-Chief of our Chinese Expedition gave the best proof of his qualification for the post by leaving it and coming home. As Mr. GLADSTONE will not be Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. DISRAELI will succeed Sir CORNEWALL LEWIS, with the uncontested leadership of his party in the Commons. Sir F. THESIGER, we are told, is to be Lord Chancellor, and, if so, nobody, except perhaps Lord CAMPBELL, will grudge him such long-deferred honor. The only serious rebuff Lord DERBY has received, as it is said, has been from his own son. No wonder that a young noble of such talent and self-respect should object to be made a yearly sacrifice to filial love. Had Icarus seen his father Dædalus mount up to the skies, and then come down in a shower of feathers, he would probably have hesitated to put on his own wings. Lord STANLEY has come down once in this fashion, and apparently declines to do so again. Such is the Cabinet—such in what it has, and what it has not, that the Radicals have resolved to inflict on the country, in spite for Lord PALMERSTON's not having stood out more expressly, fully, absolutely, and fanatically for the unrestricted right of asylum, whatever the favored objects, and whatever use they might make of it.

We don't mean to say that Mr. MILNER GIBSON makes his a plot. If Lord DERBY has luck thrown in his way, so also has the member for Ashton. As one looks back it is almost inconceivable, had it not actually happened, that Lord PALMERSTON should encounter Parliament with such a concurrence of facts as a French disaster of unusually violent and overbearing tone publicly recorded, and yet not publicly answered, and legislation thereupon commenced in the Dutch House of Commons. This is all that we were permitted to know, and the world at large could only act on what it knew. It transpired, indeed, privately, and now by means of a dispatch from Lord COWLEY, it is declared publicly, that Lord PALMERSTON had immediately instructed Lord COWLEY to explain matters to the Emperor. No doubt this was done as well as Lord COWLEY says it was, and with all the effect he claims for the operation. But, unfortunately, it was an operation that began and ended with the parties immediately concerned, whereas something more was due to the world. The error was that of lovers, who may record their vows in the sight of Heaven, but forgot that society also had a voice in their affairs. Had WALEWSKI's dispatch been a private and confidential note, to be shown to no one but Lord CLARENDON, it might have been answered as privately. But that was not the intention of the dispatch. It was discharged over this island from a monster mortar, accompanied with a fire of more noisy, flashing, and offensive projectiles, and it called for a reply that should at least rise as high and range as far. We are told, indeed, that the private instructions sent to Lord COWLEY were only meant to conspire with the soothing effects of time in preparing the imperial mind for a more regular dispatch that was to be forthcoming. This confesses the whole fault, for if it is admitted that a formal and public reply was still due, it was but natural the House of Commons should ask why it had not been paid. So we repeat that a blot has been hit. The enemy has found a joint in the ministerial harness, and has not failed to pierce it, with what advantage to their country or themselves remains to be seen. For our part, we do not see the logic which would inflict a six months' dominion of Tories over us as a penalty for an omitted or delayed dispatch. At whose cost is the sin atoned? Why is England to suffer for because PALMERSTON did not act quite up to the occasion at a critical and rather difficult juncture? On whose side are the sympathies of the Radical Party? Is it any pleasure to them to see the whole Liberal side banished from office, the Liberal cause thrown back for no one can say how long, and the Conservatives quietly stepping in to reap the honors due to the disgraced statesmen? We can understand private feelings coming in—and heaven knows there is scope enough for private feelings in the present state of politics and English society—but every man of true patriotism, every man of common sense, represses such feelings, and does not permit them to warp his judgment on any question of the public good. Have the Radicals really seized an opportunity of avenging themselves on the old exclusive Whig aristocracy, even at the cost of flattering the equal pride of the Tories? We are driven to some reason or other out of the way to account for the suicidal act of letting in Lord DERBY to reign over us. It has indeed been said that, the worse the Government, the nearer step it was to a really good one, and that what we had most to dread was a tolerable one. We are not adepts at such transcendental politics. We don't like a Government the more the worse it is. So we think we *lose by* being handed over to Lord DERBY, and we cannot thank the gentlemen who have effected the transaction.

*From the London News, (Whig.)*

Lord PALMERSTON arrived at this place shortly before 5 o'clock on Saturday afternoon. His interview with the *Queen* was brief, and we believe his lordship departed from the ordinary practice of retiring Premiers in not advising his sovereign as to the quarter in which she might best apply to find a *successor to office*. Her Majesty, whose constitutional knowledge could dispense with the aid thus withheld, sent for the Earl of DERBY, and appointed an interview with him after Divine Service *yesterday morning*. The result of the interview, with its sequel, will be authentically stated to-night in Parliament. No doubt is felt that little as Lord DERBY is inclined to undertake the toils and cares of office, *for the sake of his credit*, as the head of a party, he must now seriously exert himself to construct a Government. In the Tory camp hope and fear mingle and alternately prevail. Many high offices in the State were readily allotted yesterday by the more speculative Conservatives. Lord MALMESBURY would take charge of the Foreign-Office, where his intimate friendship with the Emperor of the French, it is thought, would prove useful, not to speak of his experience in that department. Lord ELLENBOROUGH's special knowledge of India would qualify him for the Presidentship of the Board of Control, if he were not wanted for the Ministry of War, which some assign to him, and others to Lord STRATFORD DE REDCLIFFE. In these arrangements the Privy Seal is given to Lord St. LEONARDS, and Sir FREDERIC THESIGER is made Lord Chancellor. Appointments such as these are easily made; but the real difficulty is to get an administration which shall be able to make a figure in the House of Commons. Everything here turns upon the decision of Mr. GLADSTONE, the only member of the Peel party of whom the Tories have any hope. The aid of Mr. CARDWELL and Mr. SIDNEY HERBERT, it is understood, is not to be obtained; but with Mr. GLADSTONE to lead the House of Commons, the experiment of a Conservative Cabinet would be made. Meanwhile, the personal friends of Lord PALMERSTON do not speak of him as out of the field. Their language implies a belief that he is inevitable; that his sudden *resignation will demonstrate for a few days* the helplessness of the Queen and country without his *aid, and that afterwards he will be summoned* back with acclamations, to pass a Conspiracy *Bill, or any other which he may choose. If such* were his Lordship's thoughts, his conduct in declining to recommend an adviser to the Queen would be partially explained. The result of the division of Saturday morning was instantly telegraphed to Paris and the principal capitals of Europe.

*From the London Star (Cobden Organ).*

But is the Queen's Government to be carried on? Not, we venture to predict, by Lord DERBY,—who has accepted, we are informed, her Majesty's commission to endeavor to form an Administration. Although superior in debating power to the late Government, a Derby Ministry would labor under fatal disqualifications. Not only would its natural adherents count less than one-third of the House of Commons, but they have no great party to fall back upon in the constituencies. Conservatism has no power, except in coalition with stagnant Liberalism—against which the country has vigorously pronounced. There must be a Reform bill, and something more than such a Reform bill as Lord PALMERSTON would have offered. Lord DERBY may, to be sure, endeavor to carry on for a few months, by coaxing into his cabinet a man of such distinguished abilities and unimpeachable uprightness as Mr. GLADSTONE. But we trust that so eminent a statesman and orator has sufficient sagacity to perceive, that whilst a Conservative ministry is impossible without him, it cannot long be possible with him. By forsaking the men with whom he now sits, and usually acts, he will be doing injustice alike to his own best sympathies and noblest prospects. He has a right to be impatient of exclusion from office,—if impatient he be,—but a temporary partition of place with Mr. DISRAELI, may lose him even the power he now enjoys. If for no other reason, he should refuse alliance with men committed to a measure of repression similar to the Conspiracy bill. To get rid of the Palmerston Government, with its arrogance at home and its truckling abroad, its submission to national dishonor and its disturbance of the world's peace, is a gain to England and to humanity. But to obtain the highest amount of gain from so hopeful an event, we must have a Ministry including those three great elements of sincerity, ability and progress, indicated by the names of RUSSELL, GLADSTONE and GIBSON.

*From the London Herald, (Derby organ.)*

Lord DERBY, with his well-known chivalry, has come boldly to the rescue, and, in spite of the perils and difficulties in which Lord PALMERSTON and his colleagues contrived to involve the State, has accepted the onerous post of Prime Minister of England. At this moment the noble Earl is engaged forming his Cabinet; and we do not anticipate that he will meet with much difficulty in completing his arrangements, so that new writs will be speedily issued, and Parliament adjourned for a short interval. The Ministry will be composed of statesmen resolved to defend the best interests and the welfare of England, and to uphold her honor both at home and abroad. The determined attitude assumed by Lord DERBY at the reopening of Parliament; his declaration, uttered amidst the acclamations of the assembled Peers, that the honor of England must be maintained, her liberties preserved inviolate, and her policy rendered free and independent, at once pointed him out as the coming man. The public speedily responded to his patriotic appeal, and politicians entertaining the most opposite opinions hailed him as England's deliverer. His firm and beneficent rule in 1852 is not forgotten, nor are the repeated admissions of the some of the noble Earl's most violent opponents, that the summary and unjust dismissal of his Government at the close of that year was one of greatest misfortunes that ever happened to this country. Lord PALMERSTON's Premiership has played havoc with his reputation. Before he grasped the reins he was something; now everything is destroyed. Wars and embroilments are the legacy which he bequeaths to his successor, and he has been expelled from office simply because he could not govern. The statute book can boast of no useful additions, the results of superior statesmanship, and his short reign, will be remembered as the most calamitous and gloomy in the annals of the nineteenth century.

## THE LEVIATHAN.

*From the London Times, Feb. 24.*

It is a long time since the public have heard anything of their old friend the *Leviathan*, which lately occupied so large a share of their attention and the bulletins about which chronicled almost hourly how many or how few inches she had progressed towards her final destination—the water. The fact, however, is that very little has been done in the way of actual progress since the vessel was floated off her cradles, and she still remains moored stem and stern in the centre of the river, a little below the old building-yard, from which for so many months she kept out the light and air, and in which for so many weeks grave fears were entertained that she would remain, a permanent adornment of the river's bank. But though, as we have said, nothing worth speaking of in the way of work, has been done about the *Leviathan* herself, a very great deal has been perfected, and we believe the arrangements are being made for her final completion and fitting for sea. With regard to this point, a great deal of misapprehension appears to exist with the public as to the total outlay necessary to fit her out, and the time it will require to get her ready in all respects for sea-going service. As far as the first-named subject is concerned, we believe we shall be found correct in stating that the total cost of completing her fittings, putting on board stores, &c., and making her in all respects ready for sea will not exceed £120,000, and that the time required to do this will certainly not extend beyond the month of July. Four months is estimated as being the utmost time necessary to fit her, but circumstances have arisen, such as the company being obliged to give up possession of the yard at Millwall, which may occasion hindrances that will probably delay her completion till the time we have stated. In order, however, to insure the work being done in the shortest space of time, and at the lowest rate consistent with good workmanship, it has been decided to subdivide what remains to be done about the vessel among several contractors. Thus the building of the cabins and saloons will be given to one person, while another contracts for the decks, bulwarks, &c., a third for the rigging, a fourth for the boats, a fifth for the internal fittings, and so on. By this arrangement of course every part will progress simultaneously, and each be effected at the lowest cost and in the best style. No less that 10 anchors are now required to hold the monster vessel of her present moorings—five at the stern and five at the stave, and each with long line of cable attached, varying from 40 to 100 fathoms. When first anchored in the river eight anchors were in hold fast, but during a gale which took place shortly after her launch, she dragged at the stern in such a manner as to swing three into the side-ways, and require two of the remaining larger present anchors in addition to the other, since which she has been brought up effectually, and now apparently nothing short of a hurricane would be sufficient to move her. As the fittings of the ship progress, a pair of powerful shears will be fitted on deck for the purpose of hoisting in the iron work of the masts, the intermediate shaft, heavy boats, standing rigging, and other portions of her equipment which are too ponderous to raise by ordinary means. The masts are at present being made at Millwall it please, and a good deal of the materials has already been completed, *though of course they will not be put together* until they are actually on board. There are to be six masts in all, three square-rigged and three rigged with fore and aft sails. All these masts will be composed of plates of wrought iron one inch in thickness, riveted together in the same manner as the sides of the ship, or a steam-boiler of the strongest description. They will vary in height from 100 to 110 feet from the keel to the truck, each will be three feet four inches diameter at the deck, and each will weigh from 30 to 40 tons, exclusive of yards or rigging. Each mast rests in a square column of plate iron which reaches direct from the keel to the upper deck, and is riveted and built into all of the successive decks through which it passes. In case of it ever becoming necessary to cut away the masts, at the base of them all, at about three feet above the deck, will be fixed a peculiar apparatus, which, working by means of a powerful screw, it is made to compress two sides of the mast together in such a manner as to completely crush them in, and let the mast fall over the side immediately. As, however, all the masts will be stayed by the usual standing rigging, which in the case of the *Leviathan*, will be all of wire rope and of the most massive kind, other precautions have to be taken in order to get rid of the masts when necessary. To effect this, then, all the shrouds and stays are fastened at the ends through iron rings in such a manner that as far as any exertion of strength at still is concerned, a single man would be sufficient to cast loose all the fastenings of each mast in five minutes, though until the rings are opened the sides might be torn from the ship before they would yield an inch. All the main and topmast yards of the square-rigged masts will be also of iron plates. The main yard will be 120 feet long, or about 40 feet longer than the mainyard of our largest line of battle ships, about four times the strength of any mainyard yet constructed, and several tons lighter than if it was made of wood, as is usually the case.

We have said that the company are about to remove their plants and materials to another yard on the Surrey side of the river, and such is the fact, and all *the works of Millwall are in* the chaotic state which usually portends a change of location even in small establishments, and which, of course, displays itself in ten-fold intensity in a yard where the largest ship of which the world has ever seen or heard has just *been turned off to its moorings. But, great as is the* change which these preparations make and imply, it is really nothing to what the absence of the *Leviathan* here if from the yard has already occasioned. In fact, it seems at the first glance, as if one whole side of the yard had been taken away, or swept into the river by some extraordinary flood tide. The *debris*, too, of the launching apparatus, the piles of gigantic timbers, masses of rails, hydraulic rams, screw-jacks, iron drums, chain cables, groups of piles, windlasses, &c., all huddled together in inextricable confusion, give to the whole place the aspect of some gigantic workshop which has suddenly been levelled with the earth and ruined by some tremendous catastrophe. We believe no attempt will be made to draw out any of the many hundred piles driven into the earth for one purpose or another during the course of the launch. More with a view of satisfying curiosity on this subject than with any other object, some one or two have been "extracted," but the efforts required to draw them involved such heavy labor that the wages of the workmen employed amounted to more than double the value of the piles themselves. They will therefore be suffered to remain where they are, only sawing off the uppermost parts level with the earth. In one portion of the yard the men are employed night and day in turning the monstrous intermediate shaft for the paddle-engines. This shaft is probably for its size the finest specimen of forged iron that has ever been produced at any works. It was made at Glasgow, and in the rough weighed some 34 tons. This is the third that has been forged for the paddle-engines of the *Leviathan*. In both the former ones, when the manufacture was almost completed, such flaws were discovered in their substance as made them worthless; and from the immense size of the shaft, and the necessity for its being of the most perfect strength and solidity throughout, considerable anxiety was at one time entertained as to the possibility of getting one made at all in time for the starting of the vessel next autumn. All doubts have, forever, been set at rest by the arrival of the present shaft, which is now being completed in the turning lathe. There are not many lathes in the Kingdom of sufficient size and strength, to turn a shaft of this kind, since apart from its own weight, it has counterbalancing masses of iron to relieve the strain on the lathe in turning it round, which brings up the whole mass to about 60 tons. This is turned slowly at about one revolution per minute, the cutters, of which there are two, one at each side, shaving off long thin strips of the cold metal at the rate of about one hundred weight per hour. By the company turning this shaft for themselves, they effect an immense saving per hundred-weight in its entire cost, which is a piece of metal-work of such size, and one in the manufacture of which so many risks had to be encountered, of course amounts to a considerable sum. With regard to the future of the *Leviathan* herself, there is perhaps the question more frequently asked by the public than that of where she is to be docked in case of her wanting repairs or her bottom requiring cleaning. This question, however, has, we are glad to say, been satisfactorily decided, though not quite as regards docking her. There are some docks, we believe, in Liverpool which are long enough to take in the *Leviathan* if their entrances were only wide in proportion; but, as they all fail in this latter important particular, the great vessel when she wants cleaning will have to be gridironed, as the screw colliers are—that is, run aground on rows of piles laid along the river's side for the purpose, and the tide of course will leave her dry at each low water. A spot has been chosen for this purpose in the Mersey, between Woodside and Birkenhead, and to this place the *Leviathan* will be taken as often as she needs repairs or cleaning. It is almost a pity, however, that no "gridiron" of sufficient length could be formed or made in the Thames or in any other river in the Kingdom but the Mersey, which is one of the most rapid and dangerous, and in which, we should think, the *Leviathan*, even with all the aid which THOMAN's anchors give her, must run more or less of risk either in navigating or staying at anchor.

## The Pierri and Orsini Conspiracy—An Extraordinary Hoax.

*From the Birmingham Journal.*

In the beginning of the week a missive, written in English, was received by the respected Prefect of the Seine. The document, although unpretending in appearance, contained matters of the utmost importance concerning the plot which resulted in the affair of the Rue Lepelletier of the 14th January. The Prefect, who, amongst his other qualifications, does not possess that of understanding English, had the document translated, somewhat to the following effect:

"B— H— TAVERN, BIRMINGHAM, Feb. 13, 1858.

SIR: We feel it our duty to inform you that ORSINI, PIERRI, and a Pole, were assembled together in a dark cellar under the premises of Mr. ——, (the blank was filled up with the name of a well-known printer in New-street,) and that there they no doubt conspired together as the Pole was heard to threaten to assassinate a person in power.

We have no hesitation in suggesting that Mr. —— should, as owner of the premises, be at once interrogated, and the mysterious vault examined, as no doubt important disclosures will result.

We are, Sir, your most obedient servants,

E. P. H— and E. A——.

The initials, E. P. H. and E. A., respectively represent the secretary of a celebrated Professor, and a well known low comedian.

The information thus given was too important to be disregarded. Inclosed in a missive from the French Government it was transmitted to the Home-office, and from thence, with a speed almost unparalleled for red tapery, sent to the police authorities at Scotland-yard. The shrewd detective WILLIAMSON, who captured Dr. BERNARD in London, on Sunday, was at once put upon the track of this new ramification of the plot, and armed with handcuffs and warrants from the Home-office for the arrest not only of the printer named, but of the two gentlemen signing the letter, he betook himself to Birmingham, where he arrived on Wednesday.

Some consternation was naturally caused by his presence, and the contemporaneous arrival, as it was said, of several members of the French Police. It was feared that a raid was about to be made upon the Democrats of Birmingham. However, Mr. WILLIAMSON, obtaining the assistance of Sergeant MANSON, of the Birmingham detective force, set about instituting inquiries. First, the landlady of the tavern indicated was alarmed by a visit from these gentlemen, who were rather urgent in their interrogatories. They set about inquiring into the habits, antecedents, associates and political opinions not only of the person chiefly implicated, but of the informants. Satisfying themselves of these particulars, they traced the secretary to the shop of the very printer impeached. Thus they had hunted down two of the men "wanted." Then they proceeded to the theatre, and the comedian was taken from the stage where he was rehearsing, and suddenly compelled to act a part in a drama of unrehearsed effects. The way people stared as they saw him taken off through the streets between two detectives to the printer's shop to confront the arch conspirator, whom he had denounced, was anything but pleasant; but as resistance was vain, the terror-stricken actor meekly accompanied his captors. The whole three being safely lodged in a private office, the interrogation of the printer began.

"You are acquainted with ORSINI and PIERRI," inquired the detective, prefacing the sentence by a remark that it was "a very serious piece of business."

"Yes; I met them once. I will tell you all about it," replied the printer, determined upon making a clean breast of it.

"Well, proceed."

"It was about the 10th of June, I think," the printer went on, "that ORSINI lectured at the Music Hall, on Italian freedom. The gentleman who engaged ORSINI brought him here, and as he was accompanied by PIERRI and a Pole or Hungarian, I was introduced to all of them. We had a glass of wine together, and some conversation passed."

"Ah!" ejaculated the detective, "now the cunning. What was the conversation about?"

"Nothing in particular."

"But is it not true that they were plotting the death of Napoleon?"

"Yes, perfectly true," and promptly to the question whether he could sign a document to that effect the new Guy Fawkes assented, he was informed that he could. He was led underground, down narrow cheese stairs, and through dark mysterious passages, and came at length to a chamber dimly lit by gas.

"Why, it's a wine cellar," exclaimed the detective.

"Of course it is," replied the printer. "What on earth did you think it was? There is the very tub ORSINI sat upon; there stood PIERRI; and as they expressed a very decided opinion upon the really excellent qualities of my wine, why you may also judge for yourself."

*Mr. WILLIAMSON was decidedly at fault. Nobody* ever could by any possibility look less like a conspirator than the portly printer he saw before him; no place in the world less likely to be chosen for the manufacture of grenades, or the cool discussion of the details of an elaborate plot. Still the information was definite enough; and part of it was unquestionably true. ORSINI and PIERRI had been there, and had met together in a vault, although it turned out to be a wine cellar. The secretary and the comedian must be called upon to explain; and with very little circumlocution they were.

"I have discovered that part of the information you gave," said Mr. WILLIAMSON, addressing the letter-writers, "is true; only it turns out that the mysterious meetings were convivial, not political, and that the subterranean vault was a wine-cellar. What about the threat, as the letter expresses it, made 'to *assassinate a person in power*?'"

"Oh! as to that," said the printer, "it was the Pole that did that."

"And did it relate to the Emperor?" was the breathless inquiry.

"*Not exactly*; it was only said in allusion to a tax-gatherer, who was dunning him for rates; and he declared that if the fellow bothered him any more, he would knock his blessed head off."

There was no standing this gravely any longer; and the result was a shriek of uncontrollable laughter. Of course Mr. WILLIAMSON, who did not at all relish being connected with a wild-goose chase, hunting after a hoax, demanded an explanation from the letter-writers, before whom the swamps of Cayenne, guillotines, and the Conciergerie came painfully near. These were readily given. It appeared that on Saturday evening a very pleasant party met together, when, the conversation turning upon the late plot, the printer happened to mention his interview with ORSINI and his companion. "Should you like a trip to Paris at her Majesty's expense?" inquired the Secretary. "Nothing better," was the reply; and *accordingly* the letter above given was written. Nobody fancied that it would *be sent off*; but as the printer dared the secretary to do it, he addressed it to the Prefect of the Seine, and dropped it in the post, never thinking that any notice would be *taken of what was so transparent a* joke. "A very silly and expensive joke," said the *detective gravely*. "*Hoaxing two Governments is no* joke," and after obtaining the signatures of the respective parties to their several statements, for transmission to the Home Office, this valuable officer took his departure from Birmingham, and returned to London. We may add, however, that the worthy printer was during the whole of the day kept, if not in custody, at all events under strict surveillance. The facts were telegraphed to London about mid-day; but no reply as to the course Mr. WILLIAMSON was to pursue was received until Thursday. In the meanwhile, wherever the printer went he was followed, and attended very faithfully during all his journeyings to various parts of the town, by the preservering detective. It was only late in the evening, and upon entering his own house, that he was left alone.

Leaving aside the minor moral to be drawn from this true story, the graver lesson it teaches is that our Government are prepared to play lacquey to the French Emperor a little too freely, and that on the smallest pretence, or no pretence at all, perfectly innocent men may be placed under restraint at the instigation of French police. This is a change in our insular notions of freedom which we don't relish, and if it is pressed much further there will be a row, and no mistake.

As everything connected with the plot is of interest at this moment, we append a letter which was received by Mr. TAYLOR, of Broad-street, (who made the grenades,) from Mr. ALLSOP. The complicity of this gentleman is placed beyond all doubt by this communication, which is as follows:

NOVEMBER 12, 1857.

Mr. TAYLOR—*Sir*: I shall feel greatly obliged by your sending me the circular balls, ordered now a month ago. You will remember promising that those holes should be bored and the perforated screws furnished in a very few days. It now becomes important that they should be furnished forthwith. I hope that you will send them not later than Monday next, to Grennan's Hotel, and the money shall be returned forthwith. I am, Sir, your obedient servant, T. ALLSOP.

Mr. TAYLOR, we believe, intends to forward an affidavit of the facts connected with Mr. ALLSOP's ordering of the shells, his receipt of them, and his payment of £8 4s. 6d., which was the cost of the half-dozen made, to the French Government to-day.

## A Fugitive-Slave Humbug in Liverpool.

*From the Liverpool Albion.*

On Saturday afternoon a poor fugitive slave, who arrived three weeks ago at Liverpool from New-Orleans, stowed away in the hold of a cotton-ship, was brought to this office. The following is his own plain unvarnished tale, taken down as the narrative fell from his lips:

"My name is TOM WILSON, I arrived here in a ship called the *Metropolis*, Captain FOSTER. I am slave-born; I have been under slave bondage ever since I was born. I am 45 years old. I belonged to Mr. HENRY FAUNMAN, of New-York, cotton-presser. I was under him for the space of seven years. Before then I belonged to Colonel HARE, of Woodford, Mississippi. There I had a wife and three children, besides having had another child, which died. I was sold by auction by Major BAIRDS, auctioneer, for $2,500, and was taken down to New-Orleans, away from my wife and children, and I haven't seen them since. Shortly after I got there Mr. FAUNMAN's overseer, BURKE, commenced to ill use me. I didn't understand tying the cotton; it was new to me, and I was awkward, so I was flogged. They used to tie me down across a cotton bale, and give me 200 or 300 with a leather strap. I am marked with the whip from the ankle-bone to the crown of my head. Some years before I was sold from Mississippi, the overseer there, because I resisted punishment once, cut my right arm across the muscle, and then had it stitched up. He did that, as he said, to weaken me, because I was too strong in the arm. About a year and a-half after I had been in New-Orleans I ran into the woods. I was followed by BURKE and a pack of bloodhounds into the Badden-rush Swamp. The dogs soon caught me. They tore my legs and body with their teeth. Here are the marks yet. [As he spoke he turned up his trousers' legging, and exposed formidable seams, extending up the calf and above the knee-joint.] BURKE (he continued) rode up to me with his gun, and shot me in the hip with 14 buck-shot, which can be seen and examined at any time. The dogs continued to pin me with their teeth. After that I knowed nothing about what they did to me for about a week. When I got a little strong they burned my back with a red-hot iron, and my legs with spirits of turpentine, to punish me for escaping. They put an iron collar round my neck, which I wore for eight months, besides two irons, one on each leg. After that I was watched very closely; but one night, about a week after Christmas, I ran away, and hid myself under the sawdust, in a sawmill pit, below New-Orleans. I was followed by BURKE, the overseer, and the dogs, but they did not find me. I crept out, and ran away, for more safety, to the Great Salt-water Lake, behind Orleans, secreting myself under the bushes and vines. There are alligators in the lake, and, as I waded up to the knees in the water, the alligators followed me, grunting and bellowing, and trying to get me. I had several times to climb up trees to escape them; but I felt safer among the alligators than among the white men. In the morning, at 4 o'clock, I went down to the wharf. On the road I came across some of the men who were out watching for me, with guns and dogs. It was just getting light. I began to whistle and sing, and walked close by them, and they paid no attention to me. When I got down to the wharf some of the colored crew of the American cotton ship *Metropolis* took me on board, and hid me away among the bales. One of the colored men split on me, and there was a search for me that day; but they did not find me, and I trembled to think I should be taken back and tortured. I was frightened, too, for the colored men who had befriended me. I was kept out of the sight of the white men, and Capt. FOSTER did not know anything about it until after the men had been paid off at Liverpool. I remained hid from a week after Christmas until about three weeks ago, when the ship came here. During the time I was secreted I was kept alive by the colored men, who had been so good to me. They brought me something to eat and drink every night. When I first landed here I was frightened at every white man I passed, and I hid myself about where I could, and begged at night for bread. I was afraid I should be taken into slavery again. I did not know I could not be a slave here."

With regard to the future, poor TOM WILSON said he would be very glad of a fireman's place on board a coasting steamer. "When in slavery, in America, he had been hired out as a fireman on one of the lake steamers. He said he could do that work very well, and could stand any amount of heat.

From inquiries we have made we are induced to believe that the foregoing narrative, which reads like a lost chapter of "Uncle Tom's Cabin," is substantially true.

BLOODY AFFRAY IN NORTH CAROLINA.—On the 4th instant a terrible affray occurred at Windham Settlement, eight miles from Timmonsville, N. C. The place was a resort for all sorts of characters, who engaged in drinking, fighting, &c., and the residents of the neighborhood appointed a "Vigilance Committee" to break it up. The Wilmington *Herald* says:

"About 75 men, armed, went to this place of resort; and the law-breakers had been apprised that the Vigilance Committee, so called, would be there; they immediately armed themselves for a defence, when one of the desperadoes fired, wounding one of the Committee. The fire was returned, killing CALEB FREEMAN and ABRAHAM WINDHAM, and seriously wounding E. A. WINDHAM and THOMAS WINDHAM, who were living 24 hours after the occurrence. Several others were wounded. Of the Vigilance Committee, one was badly cut; and is supposed to be mortally wounded. Two others are wounded.

## THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

Speeches and Motions—The Attorney—The Kansas Question—Selling Railroads, &c.

*From Our Own Correspondent.*

ALBANY, Wednesday, March 12, 1858.

Some days ago Mr. LANING, of Erie, offered a resolution raising a Committee to ascertain whether any money had been sent from this State to aid the freemen of Kansas in the defence of their rights. The resolution indicated the Kansas Aid Society as the party guilty of the heinous offence of sympathizing with freemen in a struggle against the encroachments of Slavery.

*The Kansas Aid Society* promptly proposed to relieve Mr. LANING of the trouble which he proposed to take in investigating the nature and extent of service they had rendered to their brethren in Kansas. They acknowledged the core—and went further, and admitted the desire and intention to continue in the work of well-doing.

Ordinarily, when a gentleman gets all the information he desires or expects, he is content. Not so was Mr. LANING. He was brim-full of a speech—he was brim-full of a half-dozen speeches—of which he *wanted to deliver himself*, and he was not to be defrauded of a legitimate opportunity to make a splurge. So Mr. LANING laid his resolutions under the special order for to-day, and had the floor.

*The* speech came this morning, and it was all that could be expected—all that his most warm admirers could desire. It was a model speech—a speech that you take up or lay down without seriously fracturing the thread of his discourse. I heard several fragments with intense satisfaction. It was a comical speech, too—such a speech as starts a broad grin, without any apparent effort in that direction on the part of the speaker. And it was a serious speech as well—a speech that awakened the most profound feelings. It was historical, dramatic, melo-dramatic, tragic—it was high comedy, low comedy and farce. In short, it was a LANING speech, and LANING is *sui generis*.

REMOVAL OF QUARANTINE.

Gov. KING transmitted a message to the House, covering a report from the Commissioners appointed last Winter to procure a location for a new Quarantine establishment. The Commissioners detail at length the result of their labors in New-Jersey, and give official notice of the fruitlessness of all efforts to procure Sandy Hook. As I judge from the report, there is no hope in that direction. Oysters have lost their charm, and whisky appears to be impotent. I never thought to see the day when the Jerseys could resist the influence of distilled rye and corn, but the evidence is conclusive.

The Governor very properly calls the attention of the Legislature to the importance of the subject, and invites a careful examination and consideration of the proposition submitted by the Commissioners, which is to construct an island or block of land, on one of the shoals in the lower bay. Such a work is found to be feasible, and not only feasible, but it can be done at an expenditure trifling in comparison with the benefits to be derived from the change.

THE KANSAS RESOLUTIONS

Were the special order in the Senate last evening. Senator NOXON made an eloquent, impressive speech in favor of the resolves. It was full and vigorous, and it will read well.

Senator WM. A. WHEELER's resolutions, indorsing the course of STEPHEN A. DOUGLAS, were a perfect bomb-shell in the Democratic camp. They were afraid to pick them up; they were afraid to let them alone. They will be more afraid when they are pressed to a vote, as they will be by Senator WHEELER. They will pass, too, if a vote is reached on them; and I shall not be surprised if some of the gentlemen who now profess adherence to the Democratic Kansas policy should be found dodging when the vote is taken.

TOLLING RAILROADS.

Senator SNOW, from the Canal Committee, made a majority report in favor of reimposing tolls on freight carried on railroads. The bill subjects the Central, the New-York and Erie, and its connections; the Rome and Watertown, the Oswego and Syracuse, and the Northern Ogdensburg, to the payment of tolls. The amount to be charged is the same as that charged on freight carried on the canals of the State. No toll is to be charged for a greater distance than three hundred and fifty miles. *All* the railroads of the State are required to carry freight at a *pro rata* price per mile for a greater or less distance. Where the freight is carried less than fifty miles, the company may charge five per cent. in addition to their *pro rata* prices. When it is carried more than one-fourth, and less than one-half the entire length of the road, they may charge three per cent. additional; when carried more than one half the entire length of the road, they may charge two per cent. additional.

Senator MATHER, the minority member of the Canal Committee, expressed his dissent from the principles involved in the bill.

THE COMMISSIONERS OF RECORD,

On motion of Senator LAPLIN, were required to report to the Senate, within ten days, what sums of money they have drawn from the public Treasury as such Commissioners; to whom they have paid the same, and in what amounts and for what purposes. Also, what work has been done, the prices paid therefor, and what remains to be done, and an estimate of what further amounts will be required to complete the same.

I wonder whether that inquiry will be deemed pertinent or impertinent.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

The doors of the private chamber were closed for an Executive session at 12 o'clock. The session was protracted until about 3 o'clock. I believe there was but one nomination of any importance remaining to be acted on—that of Mr. PARMALEE, for Canal Appraiser.

On the question of confirming Mr. PARMALEE came up, one Senator read from the New-York *Tribune* an article in which it was attempted to be shown that Mr. PARMALEE had charged more traveling fees than were allowed by law. This was commented on by several Senators in a manner apparently hostile to the nominee. One Senator desired to have the *Tribune* and the nomination referred to the Canal Committee, to be investigated jointly. Another wanted time to think about it, and see whether he could make up his mind to vote for Mr. PARMALEE, in view of the traveling fees, &c.

Finally Judge SNOW took high moral ground, paid a just tribute to Mr. PARMALEE, and proclaimed his belief that the Canal Appraisers were not properly compensated, if they went to the extreme of what the law allowed. This settled the discussion, and Mr. PARMALEE *was confirmed by a unanimous vote.*

He deserved such a compliment, and I am glad to know that he received it. He has served the State well, and in an emergency showed himself to be capable and honest. His investigation of the Rochester claims was marked by a faithfulness to the State, under circumstances which entitle him to the gratitude of the people. The report of that case is a record of intelligence and integrity of which we have few examples. It is well that the Governor has the discernment to reward such devotion—it is well that the Senate, on such an occasion, rises above the ties of party, and by a unanimous vote,

commonly known as or are called lottery tickets. To sustain an indictment for the sale of them it is not necessary to prove that the person who sold it did in fact a lottery policy, but it is enough to prove that it is commonly known by the name of, and is colorable imitation of, such policy, and is a question of fact for the jury to pass upon. The intention of the Legislature was to avoid no close and subtle distinctions, nor to give opportunities to evade the law by changes of form and mode of enterprise. The statute is against the selling of a certain thing; this prosecution is a present or contingent value in the thing sold, or that the thing sold may either certainly or upon the happening of some event enable the purchaser to procure something of value. The fact of the sale is rendered by the statute a component part of the offence. Both the vender and the vendee must clearly know what the subject of sale is, and what it is generally and commonly designated.

The act in question therefore seems to me to be definite and certain enough.

As to the fourth ground, I shall hold that a single act of selling subjects to the vender to a prosecution under the act as amended, deeming that if I am correct in the foregoing rulings it to be clearly the proper construction to be put on the provisions contained therein. As to the fifth ground, it is not necessary to charge anything about the lottery with which the policy is connected, or upon which it is drawn. In the People vs. Taylor, (3 Denio, page 91,) cited by counsel for defendant, one point raised was, that the several counts in the indictment were bad for want of a precise statement and particular description of the offence intended to be proved. The indictment was framed upon the 27th section of the Lottery Act, I Rev. Stat., 595. Bronson, Chief Justice, in his opinion, says: "It is a general, though not universal rule, that in indictments for offences created by statute, particularly misdemeanors, it is sufficient to charge or describe the offence in the words of the statute," and cites numerous authorities to this point. The weight of the authority referred to and cited by the learned judge is that, in an indictment for selling lottery tickets, it is not necessary to give any description whatever, either of the ticket or the lottery.

The learned Judge, however, in pronouncing upon the general rules of pleading, (page 95,) was of opinion that there should be such certainty of description as would identify the offence, so that the party might not be indicted for one thing and tried for another; that the defendant might know what crime he was called on to answer; that the Jury might be able to deliver an intelligible verdict, and the Court to render a proper judgment, and finally, that the defendant might be able to plead his conviction or acquittal in bar of another prosecution for the same offence; but that such rule should not be carried so far as to furnish a shield from punishment where it was plain that an offence had been committed. These views led the Court to decide that all the counts but the second in that indictment were insufficient.

These views are undoubtedly correct, and should always be considering the sufficiency of an indictment, to be borne in mind, and taken in consideration with the principle that in indictments created by statute, it is generally sufficient to charge the offence in the words of the statute.

The indictment in this case is not only drawn in the precise language of the statute, but it charges that the defendant, on a specified day, at the City of New-York, sold to an individual named, a piece of paper, with certain specific letters and figures on it, and that such piece of paper was commonly known as, and called, a lottery policy. This constitutes the substance of the offence, and it cannot, I think, be reasonably doubted, but that it is perfectly intelligible, and gives the defendant accurate and precise information of the charge made against him; that the defendant would be able to plead his conviction or acquittal in bar of another prosecution for the same offence. Tested, therefore, by the principles of the above case of the People vs. Taylor, the indictment in question is amply sufficient.

The defence cited the case of the People vs. Payne, 3 Denio, 88, and the case of the People vs. Taylor, 3 Denio, 91.

The case of the People vs. Payne was decided in reference to an indictment drawn under the 27th section of the statute against raffling and lotteries, 1 R. S. 666, which provides that no person unauthorized by special laws for that purpose, shall open, &c., publicly and privately, any lottery, &c., *for the purpose of exposing, selling to sale, or disposing of any money, goods, chattels, tenements, or real estate, or any money, goods or things in action.* None of the counts in that indictment set forth for what purpose the lottery on which the tickets with the sale whereof the defendant was charged, was drawn. The indictment, therefore, did not charge any offence created by the statute, and the motion to quash was, consequently, properly granted. The principle of that case is not applicable to this.

The points raised in The People vs. Taylor were that the indictment was bad, because

First—It did not set out the tenor of the ticket.

Second—It did not state to whom the tickets were sold.

In the case in question the ticket is set out, and the name of the person to whom it was sold is given. Consequently anything contained in the opinion of the Judge gives in this case cannot be authoritative on any of the points of the case in hand.

As to the sixth ground, the objection therein raised is anticipated in and covered by the decision heretofore given on the other points.

His Honor the City Judge has also examined the various propositions raised by defendant's counsel, and concurs in the conclusions to which I have arrived.

The motion to quash the indictment must, therefore, be overruled, and the defendant stand his trial for the offence charged in the indictment.

GEORGE G. BARNARD, Recorder.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS—MARCH 11.

Before Justices Osborn and Brownell.

The usual crowd of indolent spectators, witnesses and lawyers filled the Court-room. There were 27 prison cases, 3 suspended cases, and 6 bail cases—36 altogether—on the Calendar.

John Carroll, a boy, was found guilty on a charge of petit larceny, brought against him by Mary Duffy. His friends pleaded for his release. *Judge Osborn*—Oh! I can't hear any such thing as that; he's been here often before; send him to the House of Refuge.

Anthony Morris was accused of stealing some wearing apparel that belonged to Edward Wood. The charge was substantiated. *Judge Osborn*—Where do you belong?—where do you come from? *Prisoner*—From England. *Judge Osborn*—We find you guilty, and send you up for 3 months.

James Price was brought to the bar, and Christine Christie took the stand. *Judge Osborn*—What did you lose, Madam? *Witness*—My purse containing $20.—The complainant said she was riding in an eighth avenue car, (March 4,) and the prisoner sat beside her. After he left the car she discovered that her *porte-monnaie containing* $20 was gone. Another witness said he saw the prisoner trying to pick another lady's pocket. *Counsel*—One moment, one moment. *Witness*—Well, let that go. *I'll come to this transaction. Counsel*—I want to take exception to that. It's like trying to prejudice a case before a Jury.—The witness said he saw Price apparently engaged in picking the lady's pocket; and after the prisoner got out of the car and the lady discovered her loss, he (witness) alighted and ran after the thief. The latter was arrested and $20 found on his person, in bills of the same denomination as those which the lady had lost. Officer Porcher, of the Second District Police, effected the arrest. *Judge Osborn*—Got any witnesses? *Counsel*—No, Sir. He's got an old mother, and the only favor we ask is, that you'll confine him where she can see him occasionally. *Judge Osborn*—Find him guilty and send him up for six months.

Ellen Brothman was brought to the bar. The Clerk called the name of Eliza Giddons, who had entered a complaint of petty arceny against Ellen. She did not answer. *Judge Osborn*—Don't this witness appear, Mr. Johnson? *Clerk*—No, Sir. *Judge Brownell*—What is it? *Judge Osborn*—Stealing a chicken. She don't appear. Discharge her.

Henry Williams was charged, on the complaint of Peter Martyn, with stealing five pieces of cotton sheeting, worth $10, from the store of the latter, No. 298½ Pearl-street. (March 9.) *Judge Osborn*—(calling)—Office Lockwood!—(no answer.) He's an Officer of the Second Ward. We can't convict him without the officer. Remand him till Saturday—(to clerk)—take some pains to find that officer.—The prisoner was remanded. A few minutes after the officer arrived, and the prisoner was brought out again. *The officer said he arrested* the prisoner in Pearl-street, near the store, going off with the property on his back. *Judge Osborn*—(to prisoner)—What do you say? *Counsel*—He's *got nothing to say Judge. Judge Osborn*—Find him guilty and sentence him to the Penitentiary for 3 months.

Patrick Brooks and Thomas Brown, it was alleged, *had assaulted and beaten Thomas Loftus,* (March 6) Brooks alone was arraigned. The complainant said the affair took place in a liquor saloon corner of Washington and Cortlandt streets. *Judge Osborn*—What have you to say? *Prisoner*—I haven't struck him at all. *Judge Osborn*—You haven't, eh? Find you guilty and send you up for two months.

William Fraed was charged with *stealing some* clothing from Spencer W. Blauvelt. Afterwards, it was alleged, he pawned it. The witness did not answer when his name was called. *Judge Osborn*—Remand the prisoner. He's a bad fellow. He made affidavit at the Police Court that he had chewed the pawn tickets up, and afterwards the pawnbroker produced the tickets.—William was taken into prison.

Ann Roberts was accused of stealing (March 8) some dresses and other wearing apparel, worth $12 50, the property of Mary Cushing. Mary did not appear. *Judge Osborn*—Ann Roberts has been here so often that something ought to be done in her case. She's been here several times before. Remand her.

William Rogers was accused of stealing, by Thomas Scully, of No. 181 Bowery. The complainant only knew that his property was gone and did not know who took it; another witness in the case was relied upon to prove that the prisoner had sold it. *Judge Osborn*—Well, this witness in his affidavit swears that he can't identify him. We'll have to discharge him. There's no evidence against him at all.

Thomas Slowey was arraigned on a charge of assault and battery, preferred against him by Ann O'Hara. The complainant came forward. *Complainant*—Your Honor, I want to forgive him and try him once more. *Judge Brownell*—You want to forgive him and try him once more? *Complainant*—Yes, Sir.—Thomas was set at liberty.

Michael Frawley was fined $10 for an assault and battery on Andrew Nesbitt.

Abraham Straus was accused by Jacob New of No. 298 New-Canal-street, of assaulting and beating him in the Essex Police Court while Justice STEERS was presiding there. It was proved that the prisoner struck him, and he was fined $10.

Thomas Sexton, Catharine his wife and Ann McCarty were arraigned on a charge of assault and battery preferred against them by Officer Supply M. Rollins, of the Fifth Ward Precinct Police. "Well, if your Honor will reprimand her and let her off," said the officer, referring to Ann McCarty, "that'll be enough." Ann was discharged. The other two prisoners were tried on a second complaint charging them with stealing a silver watch worth $12 from a drinking place in Greenwich-street, near Harrison. The watch was found concealed on the person of the woman. Nothing was proved to connect the man with the larceny. Her counsel contended that she was not responsible; the act had probably been committed by the husband and the property given to her. The wife had a baby in her arms. "I don't care anything about the man," said her counsel, "but I want to get that woman off for the sake of the baby." But the Court would not relent; Catharine was found guilty and sentenced to the City Prison for 20 days. The husband was acquitted on this charge, but was found guilty of the assault and battery. Counsel pleaded for his discharge. *Judge Osborn*—Well, now I know that man very well; he's a violent fellow. Penitentiary two months.

Andrew Cauflin was tried and found guilty of an assault and battery on Edward Flynn, of No. 555 First-avenue, committed Feb. 8. The witness said the prisoner was drunk at the time. *Judge Osborn*—We'll fine him the same as we would for being drunk—$10. After the case had been decided, counsel came forward and said there were three or four witnesses for the defence. The Court said it was too late the case was decided. Counsel became indignant. *Counsel*—This wholesale sending up is— *Judge Osborn*—And this wholesale calling witnesses after the case is disposed of— *Counsel*—You know that it's very easy to get witnesses here for the State, but when a poor man is brought up, it's different— *Judge Osborn*—Mr. Johnson, call the next case.

Jas. Sherman, a carman, paid $5 for the luxury of kicking Andrew Armstrong, another carman.

THE MODEL ARTIST CASE.

Joseph and Catharine Lindenschleger were arraigned on a charge of keeping a model artist establishment at No. 17 Howard-street. Lewis Blatfuss entered the complaint. *Clerk*—They plead not guilty. *Judge Osborn*—Not guilty? *Counsel*—I do it in this way, your Honor. The witness who made the complaint went to the Mayor and said if some money that was owing him was paid him, he would withdraw the charge. *Judge Osborn*—We'll send it to the General Sessions. *Counsel*—Well, I'd rather plead guilty than that; it's a matter of petty malice. *Judge Osborn*—Well, that's the very reason; I want to see whether the Grand Jury will indict them on the word of a man who, as you say, has a debt due him from them, and makes the charge for that reason.

## Graduates of the Medical Department of the New-York University.

The following is a correct list of the gentlemen who graduated at the Commencement of the New-York University Medical College Wednesday night:

*John U. Abell, N. C.*; *Robert P. Alexander, Va.*; John B. Amiss, Va.; Richard Anderson, N. C.; Taswell Z. Anderson, Ga.; Augustus A. Atwood, Vt.; Warren M. Babbitt, Mass.; *Louis Frederick Baker, N. J.*; William H. Barnes, Va.; William G. Barton, *N. C.*; *Lycurgus M. Bell, N. C.*; *Milous W. Blackman, Ala.*; James S. Blair, S. C.; Memory Bonner, *S. C.*; *Samuel A. Brewton, S. C.*; Harvey E. Brown, N. J.; Clarence Cameron, N. Y.; Sylvester Campbell, N. B.; George A. Carter, Va.; Ebenezer N. Chamberlin, Mass.; Powhatan Clarke, Va.; William P. Coleman, S. C.; William W. Crandall, N. Y.; Charles C. Cundall, Conn.; George L. Dearborn, N. H.; Thomas N. De Bowes, N. Y.; Henry S. Desanges, N. J.; Thomas Donehoo, Penn.; William G. Drake, Ala.; Henry Draper, N. Y.; Alexander *Erskine, Ala.*; *John H. Erskine, Ala.*; Henry M. Faust, S. C.; Hugh Ferguson, N. B.; Henry N. Fisher, N. Y.; Oscar E. Foote, N. Y.; John M. Forshee, N. Y.; Shelton F. Fox, S. C.; Morris J. Franklin, N. Y.; John A. Gallagher, N. C.; Nelson A. Garrison, N. Y.; John Goode, Ga.; Lucien Hall, Va.; William H. Hall, N. C.; Henry D. Hanners, N. Y.; Samuel S. Harris, *Mo.*; *George E.* Harris, Ga.; Alfred J. Harrison, N. J.; John Hawkins, *Ind.*; Andrew J. Hemphill, Miss.; James D. Hewitt, Mass.; John W. Hill, S. C.; John G. Hislop, N. Y.; Abbott Hodgman, Mass.; Ernst Fr. Hofmann, N. Y.; John R. Hogan, N. C.; Simon A. Holt, Ala.; Joseph J. Hull, Md.; Harvey Hunt, N. Y.; Samuel M. Jamison, Tenn.; *William H. Jeffries, Ga.*; *William* I. Jones, N. C.; Josiah F. Kennedy, Penn.; Lucian S. King, N. Y.; James A. Lanier, Miss.; John Larkins, N. C.; William Little, Iowa; George W. Martin, Me.; Rawley W. Martin, Va.; Richard B. Maury, Va.; Peter J. *McCormick, Ga.*; Anthony A. *McDonough,* Penn.; Andrew MacKenzie, C. W.; C. Ryerson MacLean, C. W.; *Henry S. Millard, N. Y.*; William D. Miller, C. W.; Patrick R. Mitchell, Ga.; Alexander J. Monroe, N. C.; William S. Moody, N. C.; Benjamin W. Moore, Ga.; John H. Murphy, N. Y.; Joseph D. Nations, Texas; George L. Neal, Ind.; John Neff, Md.; James D. Norton, N. Y.; Junius O'Brien, N. C.; William W. Parke, N. Y.; Wilbur F. Peck, Pa.; *Charles G. Polk, Del.*; *James B.* Prince, N. B.; Robert Rae, N. Y.; Francis B. Richerson, Va.; Alexander D. Riddell, C. E.; Robert R. Robeson, N. C.; Lacklan M. Ross, Scotland; William W. Ross, N. B.; Judson G. Shackelton, N. J.; James W. Stuey, Va.; William R. Sikes, N. C.; Patrick H. Simmons, N. C.; John Sistrunk, Ala.; Daniel M. Skinner, N. Y.; Leonard A. Slater, Va.; William J. Smith, Miss.; Pascal J. Smith, N. J.; Marion Stagers, S. C.; Robert M. Stevens, C. W.; Samuel Stinson, C. W.; James R. Stone, R. I.; Gilbert L. Strait, S. C.; Lycurgus L. Strozer, Ga.; George W. Swett, *N. B.*; *A. Tinsley, Va.*; *Benjamin F. Treadwell, Fla.*; John W. B. Wades, Scotland; Joshua C. Walker, N. C.; Edmund R. Walker, S. C.; Benjamin F. Warden, Va.; Augustus Wheelus, Ga.; Stuart White, N. C.; Edward W. White, S. C.; Joseph W. Whitlock, Fla.; William A. Williamson, Ga.; Charles B. Willis, N. H.; Lewis F. Woltz, Va.; Charles Wright, Va.; Moses S. Zirkle, Va.—Total, 127.

## Brutal Rape Case in Niagara County.

The Lockport *Journal* gives the following particulars of the brutal outrage on the person of EMILY HUBBARD, at Middleport:

"Miss HUBBARD is 21 years of age, and on the 27th of January last left Shelby Basin, Orleans County, for Medina, where she took the cars with the view of visiting some friends in Canada. It was observed by the agent at Medina, from the number and character of the questions asked, that she was entirely unused to traveling.

On the cars, a young man by the name of GEORGE HOUSE, living in Middleport, took a seat by her side, and learning from her conversation her destination and ignorance of the "wide, wide world," advised her to remain over night in the quiet and christianized village of Middleport, rather than go on to the wicked and boisterous city of Buffalo, where she would be *compelled to remain over night*, and subjected to largely increased expense, and the importunities and annoyance of runners. The proposition appeared plausible, and she acted accordingly. She was shown to Pierce's Hotel by the landlord's son, but from base, ulterior motives—as is now believed—a report was carried to the landlord in advance that she was a disreputable person.

She sought admission at the door of a private house, *but the lady directed her to another public house, and* saw her reach the door. The same unfavorable report had been conveyed to this place also. A lame boy by the name of DARLING offered to show her the house of the Poor-Master, but one of the young men now in jail volunteered to accompany her. They followed the railroad track east, and were shortly followed by four young men. She was told that the Poor-House was just beyond a piece of woods near by. They followed *a track formed by drawing wood, until a point* was reached supposed to be free from observation, when an insulting proposition from the gallant awakened the credulous maid to a sense of her danger. She first attempted to escape, and, when forcibly seized, stoutly resisted until overpowered by numbers, the four others having come to the assistance of the first assailant, when all, in turn, succeeded in the accomplishment of their diabolical purpose, and *repeating the outrage.*

In the affray one of her shoes was lost, but she made her way back to the depôt about 9 o'clock P. M., and remained until morning, and then took the cars for Canada. Having lost the written direction to her friends, she was unable to find them, and was consequently compelled to return to her home. Supposing it would be safer for her reputation to conceal the scandalous proceedings, she determined to say nothing on the subject.

In the meantime, the perpetrators of the deed boastingly revealed their own infamy and shame. The good citizens of Middleport, with much patience and research, *ferreted out the residence of the girl.* She was induced to relate to her mother the story of her wrongs, and the criminals and their deeds of darkness were brought to light. The leader in this affair is LEWIS CHAMBERS, about 22 years of age. PARSON O'BRIEN is 19 years of age; HENRY KING and GEORGE DAVISON are each about 18 years of age. The other accomplice has not yet been caught.

The young lady gave direct and intelligent answers to all the questions put to her on the examination, but appeared sickened and unsophisticated."

## MARKET REPORTS.

Markets.—Thursday, March 11, 1858.—6 P. M.

*Reported for the N.-York Times.*

NEW-YORK, Thursday, March 11, 1858—6 P. M.

ASHES—70 bbls. Pots brought $6 12½; Pearls are inactive and somewhat nominal at $6 25@$6 37½ ⅌ 100 lbs.

COFFEE—The market has been decidedly more active for Rio, the reported sales of which include a cargo of 5,500 bags to speculators, on terms not disclosed; 10,500 bags by auction, at 8c.@11½c., averaging 10⅞c.; and 800 bags in lots at 10½c.@11½c. ⅌ lb. The auction sale was unusually well attended, and the competition was remarkably vigorous, so that, notwithstanding the very large amount offered (12,000 bags) buyers were found for nearly all of it at full prices. Other kinds are scarce and being stiffly held, they are inactive. We quote: Java at 16c.@19c.; Maracaibo at 11c.@15c.; Rio at 9½c.@11½c.; Bahia at 9½c.@10½c.; and St. Domingo at 9⅞c.@10c. ⅌ lb.

COTTON—Is less actively inquired for, but is firm. Sales were reported to-day, of 2,400 bales, including about 1,150 bales in transitu. We quote:

NEW-YORK CLASSIFICATION.

| | Upland. | Florida. | Mobile. | N. O. & Tex. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ordinary | 10¼ | 10¼ | 10¼ | 10¼ |
| Middling | 12 | 12¼ | 12¼ | 12¼ |
| Middling Fair | 12¾ | 12⅞ | 13 | 13 |
| Fair | 13¾ | 13⅞ | Nom. | Nom. |

DRY GOODS—The market for the leading styles of goods is moderately active. The demand runs mainly on the most desirable fabrics, for which, all circumstances considered, very good prices are being obtained, in view of the diminished quantity of such productions here. The near-by trade are the leading buyers, though there is some improvement in the demand from country dealers, especially from the South. The Western merchants are buying very reservedly. The auction sales of the week have been remarkable only for their uniformity in respect to the average attendance, the competition and the prices realized, which latter have been, on the whole, comparatively fair, for such standard and choice goods as found their way into the auction rooms, though it is said that the finer styles of goods could not now, as a general rule, be manufactured and sold, without loss, at prevailing rates. The healthiest current movements are in Cottons and Silks. Linens are also selling tolerably well. Woolens continue very much depressed. The restricted production does not appear to benefit them. The *Independent* says: "The last few days have exhibited great dullness. The demand for domestic goods has fallen off, but prices are sustained for all kinds, as stocks are not in excess. There is every prospect of a steady improvement in prices. The rapid advance in the price of cotton will be felt in the supply of cotton goods, which can hardly be reproduced at present quotations. On the whole, though the week has been a dull one, the market shows a more hopeful tone, and is ready for a start on the arrival of Spring weather."

FLOUR AND MEAL—State and Western flour is in fair request, mainly for home use, at full prices. Sales 9,250 bbls.

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| Superfine State | $4 30@$4 35 |
| Extra State | 4 30@ 4 65 |
| Superfine Ohio | 4 45@ 4 55 |
| Fancy Ohio | 4 65@ 4 75 |
| Extra Indiana and Michigan | 4 50@ 5 00 |
| Extra Ohio | 5 00@ 5 25 |
| Fancy Genesee | 4 35@ 4 45 |
| Extra Genesee | 5 35@ 7 00 |
| Low to very choice Extra Missouri | 5 25@ 7 00 |

Canadian Flour is in demand at steady prices. Sales 630 bbls. Superfine to good Extra at $4 35@$5 50 ⅌ bbl. Southern is moderately inquired for at old rates. The transactions since our last comprise 800 bbls., in lots, at $4 80@$8 25 for low Mixed to choice Extra, ⅌ bbl. Rye Flour is salable and steady at $3@$3 75 for fine to superfine, ⅌ bbl. Corn Meal is in demand at former quotations—$3@$3 65 for Jersey, and $3 45@$3 50 for Brandywine, ⅌ bbl. Buckwheat Flour, $2 12½@$2 25 ⅌ 100 lbs.

FRUIT—Sales by auction here of Palermo fruit, 4,250 boxes Oranges at $1 30@$1 65; and 800 boxes do. Lemons at $2@$2 15 ⅌ box. In Boston, 2,750 boxes Orenges at $2@$2 37½; 900 boxes Lemons at $1 60@$1 75 ⅌ box, each 60 days.

GRAIN—Wheat remains about the same. Sales 2,500 bushels, in lots, including very good to choice White Southern at $1 45@$1 50, and choice Red do. at $1 25, ⅌ bushel. Corn is in light supply and moderate request at irregular prices. Sales 17,500 bushels new crop at 55c.@70c. for inferior to prime Yellow and White Southern, and 67c. for mixed Southern, ⅌ bushel. Prime Northern Rye is selling slowly at 72c., delivered, ⅌ bushel. Barley and Barley Malt are inactive and somewhat nominal. Oats are in moderate demand, and are worth 45c.@46c. for Western; 43c.@45c. for State; 34c.@38c. for Pennsylvania; 33c.@37c. for Jersey, and 27c.@35c. for Southern, ⅌ bushel.

*Receipts of Breadstuffs at Milwaukee, last week.*

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| Flour, bbls | 1,283 | Oats, bush | 3,270 |
| Wheat bush | 49,358 | Other Grain bush | 1,551 |

*Stock of Breadstuffs in store at Milwaukee.*

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| Flour, bbls | 81,850 | Oats, bush | 2,100 |
| Wheat, bush | 590,276 | Rye, bush | 198 |
| Barley, bush | 14,150 | | |

*Receipts of Breadstuffs at Chicago, last week.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| Flour, bbls | 9,213 | Oats, bushel | 10,855 |
| Wheat, bushels | 117,112 | Barley, bushels | 5,457 |
| Corn, bushels | 10,801 | Rye, bushels | 755 |

The Michigan Southern, Michigan Central and Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railways have altered their freight tariffs for produce, from Chicago as follows:

| | 1st class. | 2d class. | 3d class. | 4th class. | Flour. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| To New-York | $1 80 | $1 40 | $1 20 | $0 80 | $1 55 |
| To Boston | 1 80 | 1 40 | 1 20 | 0 85 | 1 65 |
| To Philadelphia | 1 70 | 1 35 | 1 20 | 0 75 | 1 50 |
| To Baltimore | 1 70 | 1 35 | 1 20 | 0 75 | 1 50 |

The Chicago *Press* says there is a party in Chicago, with a Liverpool order for 100,000 bushels Wheat at 55c. ⅌ bushel.

HAY—Sales have been reported of 900 bales North River, at 65c.@75c., cash, ⅌ 100 lbs.

GUNNY BAGS AND BAGGING—During the *week ending yesterday sales were made in Boston of* 374 bales Gunny Bags, part in bond, at 8¾c., cash; and 2,360 bales Gunny Bagging, chiefly at 12c.@12½c., cash.

HIDES—Sales have been reported since our last of *4,000 prime Buenos Ayres, at 25½c.; 3,500 Orinoco,* part at from 23c.@23½c., and 2,000 Porto Platte, at 20c. ⅌ lb., all 6 months.

HOPS—The demand continues fair, chiefly for the low grades. Prices show no remarkable change. We quote: Crop of 1857 at 4c.@8c.; old Hops, 2½c.@3½c., cash, ⅌ lb.

IRON—Continues quiet at former rates, including Scotch Pig, at $23 50@$26, cash, and $26@$27 50, usual credit, ⅌ ton. In reference to American Pig, the Pittsburg *Gazette*, of the 9th inst., reports "offers of Alleghany metal at $25, which may serve as an indication. We hear, also, a report of a speculative purchase of 10,000 tons Anthracite No. 3, in Lebanon County, for this market, at $16, cash, which would be equal to $22 50 laid down here. On the Susquehanna the same quality of metal is generally quoted at $20, but the freight from there is somewhat less."

LEATHER—Sole is in request, and is steady.

LIME—Rockland, 65c. for Common, and 90c. for Lump, ⅌ bbl.

MOLASSES—The demand is moderate at former prices. New-Orleans 31c.@33c.; Porto Rico, 28c.@33c.; Cuba Muscovado at 23c.@26c.; Clayed Cuba 20c.@22c., ⅌ gallon. In Boston, yesterday, 500 bbls. New-Orleans Syrup were sold by auction, at 30½c.@31c., cash, ⅌ gallon.

NAVAL STORES—Holders ask very full prices for Resin, Tar, and Crude Turpentine, for all which a moderate inquiry prevails. Sales have been reported since our last of 1,800 bbls. Spirits Turpentine, at from 49c.@51c., chiefly 50c.@51c., cash, ⅌ gallon, Toward the close higher rates were demanded.

WILMINGTON, N. C., MARCH 8.—TURPENTINE—Sales of 150 bbls. at $2 65 for virgin and yellow dip, and $1 55 for hard, ⅌ 280 lbs. SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Sales of 200 bbls. at 44c., and 300 do at 45c. ⅌ gallon. Tar—Has gone up 5 cents, with sales of 190 bbls. at $1 60 ⅌ bbl.

OILS—Whale is in fair request, while sperm is inactive at former quotations. Linseed is salable and firm, at 60c.@61c. ⅌ gallon. Nothing really new in other kinds.

*PROVISIONS*—Pork is in good demand, and is doing better. Sales 1,100 bbls., in lots, including Mess at $16 75@$16 80, and Prime at $13 50@$13 55 ⅌ bbl. Cut Meats are in demand at full rates; 9c.@9¼c. for Hams, and 6¾c.@6⅞c. for Shoulders, ⅌ lb. Bacon is quiet, yet steady, at 8½c.@9½c. ⅌ lb. Lard is moderately inquired for at former prices. The transactions since our last embrace 400 bbls. fair to prime, *chiefly at 10c.@10¼c.* ⅌ lb. *Beef is in demand and* is firm; the transactions since our last consist of 180 bbls., in lots, at $12@$13 50 for repacked Western Mess; $14@$14 50 for extra do.; $10@$11 for *Country Mess*; and $6 75@$8 for do. Prime, ⅌ bbl. Prime Mess Beef, $21@$25 ⅌ tc. Beef Hams, $17 50@$19 ⅌ bbl. Butter is in fair demand at full rates—14c.@20c. for Ohio; 17c.@24c. for common to very good State, and 25c.@27c. for prime to choice do., ⅌ lb. *Cheese is in request and is worth 9c.@10½c.* ⅌ lb.

RICE—Sales here to-day, 180 tcs. ordinary to prime, at $3 25@$4, cash, ⅌ 100 lbs.

SUGARS—Exhibit no noticeable change. Sales *450 hhds., in lots, including New Orleans,* at 5¼c.@7¼c., as extremes; and Cuba 5c.@6½c. ⅌ lb. The firmness of the leading factors, who look for higher prices, has the effect of limiting operations.

TALLOW—Sales 7,500 lbs. prime at 10½c.@10¾c., cash, ⅌ lb.

WHISKY—Sales 350 barrels, in lots, chiefly at 21½c., cash, ⅌ gallon.

FREIGHTS—The engagements were very limited at old *rates. For Liverpool*, Cotton ⅝d.@5-32d. ⅌ lb.; Flour 1s. 6d.@1s. 9d ⅌ bbl.; Grain, 4½d.@5d. ⅌ bushel; Resin, 1s. 9d.@2s. ⅌ bbl.; Beef 3s. 6d. ⅌ tc., and Heavy Goods 15c.@20s. ⅌ ton. For London, Flour, 2s.; Pork, 3s.@3s. 3d. ⅌ bbl.; Pork and Beef, 4s. 3d.@4s. 6d. ⅌ tc; Naval Stores, 2s. 3d. ⅌ 280 lbs.; Oil-Cake, 20s.; Heavy Goods, 22s. 6d.@25s. ⅌ ton. For other ports proportionate rates.

## Live Stock Market Reports.

ALLEGHENY, PENN., MARKET, March 8.—Beeves—The offerings were large, aggregating 1,600 head, and prices were not so firm; sales of 900 head at 3c.@4c. gross, one lot of choice bringing 4¼c., and inferior 2¾c. @2¾c. Sheep—A large supply—4,200—but intended mainly for the East; sales of 800 at 3c @4c. gross, good medium to prime bringing 3½c.@3¾c. Hogs—The receipts are falling off, and this week sum up only 600; of these, there were 300 sold at 6¼c. @6¾c. gross, as in condition. The bulk of Cattle, Sheep and Hogs not sold, was sent East.

CAMBRIDGE, MASS., MARCH 10.—At market, 170 Cattle, no Beeves, and no Stores, consisting of Working Oxen, Cows, and one, two and three years old.

MARKET BEEF—Extra, (including nothing but the best large, fat, stall-fed Oxen,) $7 50@$8; first quality, (including nothing but the best, large, fat, stall-fed Oxen,) $6 50@$7 25; second quality, (including the best grass-fed Oxen, the best stall-fed Cows, and the best three-year old Steers,) $5 75@$6 50; third quality, $5@$5 25; ordinary, $4 50.

STEERS—Working Oxen from $90, $100, $125@$200; Cows and Calves from $25, $40, $50@$60; Yearlings $16@$21; two years old, $25@$29; three years old, $30@$35.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—350 at market. Prices, in lots, $2@$3; extra and selections, $4 50@$6, or 4½c.@6½c. ⅌ lb., gross.

SWINE—None at market. Prices, live weight, 5¼c. @5¾c. ⅌ lb.; dressed, 6¼c.@6¾c. ⅌ lb.

HIDES—5c @5½c. ⅌ lb.; Tallow, 7c.@7½c. ⅌ lb.; Pelts, $1@$1 25 each; Calf Skins, 9c.@10c.

VEAL CALVES—$4@$8 each.

REMARKS—The Burlington and Rutland trains, &c., had not arrived when we left; the first detention this Winter by the snow; the trains are not heavy, but will add about 140 Cattle and 300 Sheep to the number reported; but as the butchers had a surplus on hand, the prices will be about the same as last week for Beef. Sheep advanced about ½c. ⅌ lb., or from 37c. to 62c. ⅌ head.


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## NEWS OF THE DAY.

The steamship *Tennessee* arrived at New-Orleans yesterday with news from Vera Cruz to the 7th, and from the City of Mexico to the 5th inst. The condition of affairs in the country is growing worse and worse; civil war is raging in four or five of the States, and the disaffection towards the Zuloaga Government seems to be gaining strength every day. The Government was in the field with [illegible] and twenty-seven pieces of artillery, and it was supposed that a battle would [illegible]. Several of the prominent military men of the country, including ALVAREZ—who was at the head of twice thousand cavalry—were in arms against ZULOAGA, whose downfall was considered certain.

Yesterday in the United States Senate Mr. CAMERON presented a memorial from citizens of Pennsylvania, in favor of a line of mail-steamers between Philadelphia and Rio Janeiro, a measure suggested by the importance of our commercial intercourse with Brazil. Mr. C. also offered a resolution calling on the President for the instructions sent to the United Marshal in Utah. Mr. PEARCE of Missouri, spoke on the Kansas question, endeavoring to explain away the alleged election frauds, and contradicting the statements of WALKER, STANTON, &c. He denied that a majority of the voters had been disfranchised and that Missourians had invaded the territory. As an armed invasion, he said, the [illegible] who asserted its occurrence were preying upon the credulity of the country. Missourians were accustomed to arms, and may have gone armed to Kansas, a fact which possibly [illegible] to immigrants from Eastern poor-houses and prisons, but was nothing unusual in frontier life. Mr. P. proceeded to describe the [illegible] Missouri immigrants went to Kansas, voted, and returned to their homes, saying they intended to go back to Kansas in the Spring. He then stated the grounds for his belief that the Lecompton Constitution would pass, being substantially the language of Mr. STEPHENS' report in the other House. Mr. BENJAMIN, of Louisiana, then addressed the Senate. He expressed an intention to defend the Judges of the Supreme Court against the attacks made upon them, but would first show that Slavery at the South was the creature of Municipal Law, and was not established by statute. Slavery, he contended, was the Common Law of the thirteen original States, and therefore is necessarily recognized by the Constitution. Mr. B. then pronounced an earnest and emphatic vindication of the Judges of the Supreme Court, dwelling at length upon the Dred Scott case, and repelling the charges of Senator FESSENDEN and SEWARD. He uttered a glowing eulogy on Chief Justice TANEY, and indignantly complained that such a man should have been compared to JEFFERIES. Mr. BENJAMIN'S reputation as a lawyer is high, and his speech appears to have been able and telling. Much was expected of him by his Southern friends, and apparently they have not been disappointed. At the close of his remarks the Senate adjourned.

In the House of Representatives, yesterday, the bill to increase the army by volunteers was taken up. Mr. STANTON, of Ohio, spoke in favor of it, but thought one campaign would settle Utah. He was opposed to increasing the regular force, as in his opinion the Executive wished military officers to be created for the purpose of buying Lecompton votes in Congress. Mr. HARRIS, of Illinois, the Chairman of the Kansas Investigating Committee, rose to a question of privilege. In justice to himself and six other members, he desired to explain the cause why that Committee had failed to execute the orders of the House. Mr. LETCHER, of Virginia, asked if this was a privileged question. The Speaker replied in the negative. Mr. HARRIS appealed. Mr. STEPHENS, of Georgia, moved to lay the appeal on the table. The House refused, Yeas 97, Nays 112. This was, perhaps, the most significant check Lecompton has yet received. After some discussion between Messrs. HARRIS and STEPHENS, a motion by Mr. HUMPHREY MARSHALL, of Kentucky, prevailed, that the question be postponed till to-day. The Diplomatic Appropriation bill was considered in Committee of the Whole, and favorably reported to the House. The Deficiency Appropriation bill was then taken up. Mr. CARR, of Indiana, made an Anti-Lecompton speech, and Mr. BOYCE, of South Carolina, one against the Mormon war, when the House adjourned.

In the State Senate yesterday, a resolution was adopted instructing the Committee on Literature to inquire into the expediency of reducing the number and increasing the length of term of office of the members of the Board of Education in the City of New-York; and whether it would not be advisable to prescribe some additional conditions of eligibility of the members of such Board. The Metropolitan Police bill was debated, and made the special order for Tuesday next. In the Assembly, nothing of importance was done.

We publish this morning divers extracts from London journals on the late Ministerial crisis in England. The opinions expressed are of every political complexion, from high conservative to ultra radical, but, with the exception of a few party supporters of Lord DERBY, all the journals expect the new Administration cannot last. The majority are of opinion that Lord PALMERSTON will again return to power. An article from the London *Times*, which we also print, on the *Leviathan*, will be read with interest. It is reported that the American ship *William Singer*, laden with guano, had gone ashore on the Isle of Wight, but after some trouble she was successfully removed from her dangerous position.

We have received advices from Bermuda to the 10th inst. The Hamilton papers contain little matter of interest. The weather had been extremely propitious to the planters, but about the middle of February a northwest wind set in and gave the first indication of Winter during the present season. The crops promised well. Business continued in a depressed condition. Admiral Sir HOUSTON STEWART had left Bermuda in his flag-ship, the Rodney, to make an official tour throughout the West Indian portion of his command.

The Summer Court Martial assembled yesterday morning, all the members being present except General WOOL, whose illness still necessitated his absence. The charges on which Colonel SUMNER was arraigned are—first, the prejudice of good order and military discipline; second, the violation of the article of war prohibiting the sending of a challenge. On these charges Colonel SUMNER pleaded "Not guilty," and the prosecution rested. [illegible] between the parties. After the examination of Col. [illegible] for the defense, which elicited resenting language on the part of General HARNEY towards Colonel SUMNER at the Fort Leavenworth trial, the Court adjourned, an essential witness not having arrived.

Recorder BARNARD delivered an important decision yesterday in the Court of Sessions, in the case of Borges, indicted for selling lottery policies, in which he reviewed and overruled the arguments of Mr. JOHN GRAHAM for quashing the indictment, and ordered that the defendant should appear and stand his trial. This decision covers about a hundred cases. It is said that an offer of many thousands of dollars was made to the Recorder for a different decision.

The trial of MICHAEL BARRETT, for the manslaughter of JOHN SKELLY, was continued yesterday in the Court of General Sessions. Captain HARTT, and several other police officers of the Seventeenth Precinct, were examined, together with many other witnesses, for the defence. Their evidence very clearly showed that the deceased and his companions were rowdies of the worst class, who had long been a terror to their neighborhood, and that the defendant BARRETT was only acting in self-defence when he shot SKELLY. The Jury, after two minutes' deliberation, returned a verdict of not guilty.

The Board of Aldermen met last evening, but they did not transact any business of general interest, other than the reception of a communication from D. D. CONOVER, Esq., announcing the discovery of another batch of frauds in the Street Department.

The Police Commissioners met yesterday. Mayor TIEMANN urged the propriety of appointing special officers to prevent communication between infected ships at Quarantine and the Long Island and Staten Island shores. The matter was referred to the appropriate committee, to which the Mayors of New-York and Brooklyn were added in order to secure a more intelligent course of action. Mayor POWELL presented a resolution in favor of immediate obedience on the part of the Board to the terms of the recent decision of the Supreme Court at General Term, which declares that all members of the old Municipal force, on whom no personal notice of dismissal was served, are entitled to arrearage of pay and should be restored to duty *instanter*. This led to considerable discussion which was terminated by an agreement to postpone the matter until the decision of the Court shall be formally communicated. No other business of importance was transacted in open session.

Owing to an intimation received by the Commissioners of Emigration that an attempt would be made to burn down the hospitals at the old Quarantine Station, Superintendent TALLMADGE has sent ten armed Policemen to Staten Island for their protection.

The Turkish Admiral and suite yesterday visited the Navy-Yard, Brooklyn, boarded the *North Carolina* and *Wabash*, and made a trip down the bay and up the North River as far as Weehawken, in the new revenue-cutter *Harriet Lane*. The Pacha appeared to enjoy the excursion vastly.

A curious shooting case occurred yesterday afternoon in the Fourth Ward. While a crowd was gathered around a weighing machine, a man, named JEREMIAH COKELY, was shot in the right side with a revolver. WILLIAM LEGGETT, in whose hand the pistol was, claims that the shooting was accidental. He was arrested, however, and locked up in the Fourth Ward Station-house to await the result of COKELY'S injuries, which, it is thought, will prove fatal. COKELY was taken to the City Hospital.

The Commencement of the New-York College of Physicians and Surgeons took place at the Institution, corner of Fourth-avenue and Twenty-third-street last evening. The President, Dr. THOMAS COCK, presided and conferred the degree of M. D. upon 53 candidates with a few appropriate remarks. Dr. CHANDLER R. GILMAN delivered the farewell address to the Graduates. It was listened to with deep interest. The hall in which the exercises were held was crowed to excess.

The proprietors of the house No. 17 Howard-street, charged with keeping a model artist establishment there, were arraigned in the Court of Special Sessions yesterday, and pleaded not guilty. The case was sent to the Court of General Sessions for trial.

The General Markets, yesterday, were less active for Cotton, which, however, ruled quite firm. Flour was more inquired for at buoyant prices. Grain exhibited no important change. Provisions attracted more attention, partly at firmer rates. Rio Coffee was quite brisk, and was stiffly held. Sugars and Molasses were in fair request at steady figures. Other branches of trade presented no really new feature.

### The Ministerial Crisis in England.

The Earl of DERBY is filling at this moment in England a position which he has once before occupied, but which it can hardly be agreeable to a statesman of spirit and ambition to hold. He is playing the part of a Tory bridge between two liberal administrations, for although the Earl is a man of unquestionable ability, and of unmatched pride, he can hardly believe that with his actual Cabinet it will be possible for him to face and manage the grave questions now pressing upon the English ministry. Only three years ago Lord DERBY made very eloquent speeches on the impropriety and indecency of any attempt to carry on a Government in the face of a distinctly hostile majority in the House of Commons, and although the conservatives came back to the House from the elections of last year with an unexpected increase of force, yet Lord DERBY knows perfectly well that England has never seen a Parliament so strongly liberal as the present, and he must, therefore, anticipate an overwhelming defeat upon the first purely conservative measure which he shall introduce in the House. If he could continue to occupy the whole time of Parliament with measures of foreign policy, he might, possibly, prolong his rule for several months, for the foreign policy of the Tories has, on the whole, been popular in England, and Lord DERBY is personally liked and respected as a thoroughly English statesman. His Foreign Secretary, too, Lord MALMESBURY, notwithstanding his private relations with the Emperor NAPOLEON, and with some of the Austrian aristocracy, is commonly regarded as a man of spirit—more strong perhaps in temper than in grammar, but not likely to lower the fame of England by the tone of his dispatches, if he does not exalt her literary renown by the elegance of his compositions. He can, at least, set off against the tacit acquiescence of Lord CLARENDON in the imprisonment of British subjects by the King of Naples, his own successful pursuit of satisfaction from Austria for the violence offered by an imperial officer to the Englishman MATHER in the streets of Florence. Sir JOHN PAKINGTON, who is a troublesome country squire, and in his position of Colonial Secretary under the Derby Government of 1852, provoked from Mr. WEBSTER the last public speech of his life, by an attempt to enforce the Convention of 1818, upon the American fishermen off the Nova Scotian coast, is now put out of harm's way into the first Lordship of the Admiralty. Lord DERBY himself, as our readers will remember, has always shown a respectful and conciliatory temper towards this country. While Colonial Secretary under Sir ROBERT PEEL in 1845, the Earl, then Lord STANLEY, wrote a dispatch on this very question of the fisheries, which was eminently pacific, just and sensible; and his course in regard to the Central American difficulties has been as consistent as that of Lord PALMERSTON has been vexatiously inconstant. But there are some entanglements of the most serious kind to be unraveled by the minions of Lord DERBY. There is the Indian Government to be disposed of, and in casting with this matter the new Cabinet will be strong with the strength of Lord ELLENBOROUGH, who may succeed, perhaps, better than could any other man in England, in bringing order out of this vast chaos of rights, interests, opportunities and perils, if he does not give too free a rein to his sense of his own personal value, and to his dislike of the East India Company. But behind India loom the giant spectres of Reform and of Finance. As Lord DERBY, in 1852, formally renounced the hope of any change in the Free-Trade policy of England, so he may very easily be led, in 1858, to accept the positive demand of the country for a modification and improvement of the representative system. Any return towards the ancient order of things being impossible, it has become a kind of practical Toryism to find fault with the Whig Reforms, and a sweet Conservative pleasure to beat the Liberals at their own weapons. But Lord DERBY'S supporters are not so statesmanlike as he; and the gentlemen of the Carlton Club, who proposed to throw Mr. GLADSTONE out of window towards the Reform Club doors, are still in the field, ready to take the alarm at any measure which menaces an extension of the franchise. On the question of Finance, Mr. DISRAELI will almost infallibly break down the new Government. There is a budget to be presented, involving an increase of taxation, and Mr. DISRAELI is too fond of his own speculative ingenuity to escape the perilous temptations of such an opportunity. As in 1852, so in 1858, Mr. GLADSTONE is in the House to watch and expose this cleverest of political charlatans. In 1852 Mr. DISRAELI broke his party down under a majority of 19. In 1858 his party returns to power under the same majority. In 1852 Lord DERBY held the reins from March to December. He has taken them up almost as early in the year, but he will hardly retain them so long. And all the indications of the English political world point to Lord JOHN RUSSELL as his probable successor. The political catastrophe which overtook this natural leader of the liberals in his mission to Vienna has never been explained, but Lord JOHN has always given it to be understood that whenever Lord PALMERSTON should fall, a satisfactory account of "secret influences" could be rendered, and he has doubtless been anticipating with feverish anxiety the moment which has now arrived; and while the general revision of Lord PALMERSTON'S "spirited foreign policy" is likely to convince the people of England at last, of what all the world beside has long ago perceived, that the Anglo-French alliance has raised France to the first position in Europe at a terrible offence to the *prestige of* England, Lord JOHN will find his account in recalling the facts that it was he who forced Lord PALMERSTON to retire from the Cabinet in 1852, on account of his unwarranted indorsement of the *Coup d'Etat*, and that it was he who "upset the Aberdeen coach" on the ground of the incapacity and insensibility of that Government in the prosecution of the war. Lord JOHN'S Reform Bill of 1852 will also be revived as the most comprehensive and practicable measure yet presented, and as the most easily susceptible of fresh liberal modifications. Moreover, Lord JOHN RUSSELL could probably rally around himself a more powerful Cabinet than any other English statesman. The Gladstones, Grahams, Herberts and Cardwells, who rejected the offered hand of Lord DERBY, would readily accept his, while the strength of the liberal party, including the few desirable members of the Palmerston Cabinet itself, is always at his command, and the combination which he could present to the Sovereign would differ radically from the "Derby-dilly carrying three insides" of DERBY, DISRAELI and ELLENBOROUGH.

### The Allsop Extradition.

Some of our City cotemporaries are severely exercised in their minds on the question of the extradition to the French Government of Colonel ALLSOP, the Englishman accused of complicity with PIERRI and ORSINI in the recent affair of the Rue Lepelletier, and who combines in his own person the curiously-contradictory characters of stock-broker and fanatic. The *Herald* advocates his surrender. The *Tribune* and *Daily News* protest against the thought of such an act, as an invasion of the right of asylum. There can be no objection, of course, to any discussion upon a theme so fruitful of excellent sentiments and high-toned political theories; but so far as the case of Colonel ALLSOP is concerned, we must think that our cotemporaries are throwing away not a little valuable powder. For in the first place, there is not the slightest reason to suppose that Colonel ALLSOP is in this country at all. He was last seen to leave a railway train about half way between London and Southampton, at which latter port it was "supposed" he had "intended" to embark for America. This certainly offers no very solid ground for the belief that he is now, or is likely to be, in New-York. But if he were at this moment here, and lying *perdu* in the shadow of the Grand Turk at the St. Nicholas, he would be in no danger from French detectives or the Count DE SARTIGES. For no legal proceedings whatever have been taken against him in France. His name was omitted from the indictment of the conspirators at their trial, and France has not even made any requisition for his arrest upon the English authorities. The only ban under which this unfortunate and infatuated old gentleman has been put, is a reward of £200 offered for his arrest by the magistracy of London, and that in terms which can hardly bring him under the operation of our treaty with England. We strongly suspect that the only practical effect of the "Allsop excitement" will be to spread great consternation among all the "old gentlemen of sixty, grey-haired, fair-skinned, thin, round-shouldered and six feet in height, wearing drab pants and a dark-brown dress-coat," who may happen to be in this City, and to awaken deceitful hopes in the hearts of numbers of ambitious policemen.

MR. HARRIS' TRIUMPH.—The vote of 112 to 97, by which the House of Representatives yesterday refused to permit Speaker ORR and Mr. STEPHENS to silence Mr. HARRIS, is a significant indication of the feeling of the body. Mr. HARRIS desired to present the reasons why the Kansas Investigating Committee had failed to perform the duty assigned it, which explanation he offered [illegible] of privilege. Mr. STEPHENS asked if it were a privileged question. The Speaker decided it was not. Mr. HARRIS appealed. Mr. STEPHENS moved to lay the appeal on the table. This motion was lost, as above stated, by a majority of fifteen, and the appeal comes up for discussion to-day.

Considering the strict party drill which prevails on the Lecompton question, little doubt is left that Mr. HARRIS will succeed in making his explanation—which is regarded by the Anti-Lecompton men as a great point to be gained.

### A Diplomatic Entre-Nous.

The most striking proof of the desperation of Lord PALMERSTON'S position at the second reading of the Conspiracy bill, has been afforded by the nature of the aid he thought proper to call in when the battle was already lost. Lord COWLEY has proved the Grouchy of the Parliamentary Napoleon. He arrives on the field with his tardy reinforcement when the legions of his master are already in full retreat. The strongest point made by the opponents of the Ministry in the recent struggle, was the absence of all reply to WALEWSKI'S dispatch, and of all official notice of the semi-official blustering of the *Moniteur*. All France had resounded with the Prætorian denunciations of British connivance with the assassins; and Count DE PERSIGNY had received the adulatory address of the London Corporation, with a public display of the most insolent menace.

It is a maxim in diplomatic as well as social intercourse that apologies should be, at least, as public as the incident which called for them. When a man is kicked in the street by one of his intimate friends, he is rarely content with excuses offered under promise of secresy. Diplomatic insults should be diplomatically resented, explained and atoned for. The world rung with what NAPOLEON'S army and Ministers thought of England's share in NAPOLEON'S attempted assassination. Accordingly, to all known usage, the world should have rung with the British reply, or the French *amende*. The dispatch in which WALEWSKI expressed to PERSIGNY the Emperor's regret for the appearance of the military addresses in the *Moniteur* was carefully excluded from that journal. The British Ministry, so far from defending the nation from the imputations thus freely heaped upon it, hastened in obsequious silence to execute the behests of their ally.

They perceived their mistake when too late. The Conspiracy bill was thrown out in the midst of intense popular excitement, and the Cabinet, already routed and demoralized, brings Lord COWLEY up with a report of his private conversations with the French Ministers, in order to show that something was said. Lord COWLEY is of opinion that so firmly convinced were the French at one time that the British were guilty of conniving at assassination that there would have been no use in denying it. "Rightly or wrongly," says he,

"The opinion prevailed that every conspiracy against His Majesty had been organized in England, and that British laws gave security to the conspirators. No counter assertions on the part of Her Majesty's Government would have had any effect at that moment, and any official notice on the part of Her Majesty's Government of Count WALEWSKI'S dispatch, would probably have involved the two Governments in a controversial discussion more likely to have increased than calmed the excitement which prevailed."

If PALMERSTON had wished to devise something which would wipe out from the public mind in England the last shade of regret at his downfall, he could have hit, we think, on nothing better, than an epistle of this sort. It was not the French peasantry, or even the French army, whose denunciations had roused John Bull, but the French Government itself. Possibly the French public did not know any better than to accuse Great Britain of giving security to conspirators, for, as we all know, the French public is by no means "up" on the subject of the English laws and Constitution. But LOUIS NAPOLEON, and his principal adherents, were perfectly familiar with the real state of the case, and their adoption of the popular outcry cannot be excused on the ground of ignorance and excitement. It was to them and them only that Lord PALMERSTON should have replied, and it was their insult alone which merited resentment.

Lord COWLEY'S definition of the course to be followed by a nation assailed by false and fraudulent accusations is certainly discreet, but we doubt if it will meet with ready acceptance in Finsbury or Birmingham. According to him an accuser has only to be firmly convinced of the truth of his accusation to relieve the accused of the trouble of defending himself. In other words, a defendant's exertions to procure his acquittal should be in the inverse ratio to the complainant's earnestness and impetuosity. Lord COWLEY seems to suppose that the only object to be served in answering Count WALEWSKI was the vindication of Great Britain in French eyes. There could hardly be a less British view of the subject. John Bull is somewhat obstreperous even about answering at the bar of the public opinion of the world. He certainly will never as long as he can help it be got to plead before any inferior tribunal. He expects his servants to reply to foreign charges and foreign taunts, not so much for the sake of standing well in the eyes of foreign regiments of the line, as of satisfying his own notions of his own dignity.

PALMERSTON is certainly the last man that one would have expected to blunder on this point, for since PITT, no minister has ever been more thoroughly Taurie in all his tendencies.

DECLINE OF ABOLITIONISM.—A late number of the *Liberator* contains the following statement, in explanation of the admitted fact that the Abolition Party in the North is growing smaller and smaller:

"One has abandoned it because its advocates disagreed among themselves; another has dropped it because it has run into politics; still another has withdrawn from it because it tends to dissolve the Union; a very large number have quitted it because it disturbs the peace of the Church; some would-be-respectable people have separated from it because it stands directly in the pathway of popularity; some have abandoned it when they found that its principles required them to treat the colored man as an equal brother in all the relations of life. This last has proved too much for the abolitionism of thousands, especially of heads of families, who want their children to be respected and honored in the world."

Very many of these are very excellent reasons for abandoning the Abolition Party, and they have undoubtedly influenced a great many people. But we have no doubt that the actual decline of this party is due, more than to any other cause, to the conviction, on the part of the public that its objects are not only impracticable, but that they would not, if attained, contribute to the well-being of any class. Every person who has examined the subject with any care is pretty well convinced, that the immediate abolition of Slavery would plunge the millions of slaves into the depths of poverty, wretchedness and degradation. Their condition would be infinitely worse than it is at present. The time has passed when anybody can get credit for philanthropy or even ordinary benevolence, by advocating that immediate and unconditional emancipation which is the watchword of the abolitionists. The party will very soon become practically and virtually extinct.

### Branch the Ghost.

The City Hall is haunted. STEPHEN H. BRANCH is its ghost. STEPHEN, once so hilarious, rampant, rollicking and highfalutin', is now STEPHEN the ghost, solemn, frowning, and always shaking gory locks at some City Hall sinner. Nothing will lay him but the payment of that debt the City owes him.

When Mr. MATSELL had been Chief of Police for years, holding his office in spite of friends or foes, until all men settled down into the belief that the party had not yet been organized that was strong enough to oust him, and patiently waited for death to do what neither Whig nor Democrat could—namely, to vacate the office under the southwest corner of the City Hall, a foolish Common Council undertook, by the foolishness of a Know-Nothing Committee, to prove that MATSELL was an alien. At that time the Committee's doings were regarded as the finest of farces, though the experience of these latter days has shown that they were scarcely up to the average of municipal buffoonery. But the head and front, the backbone and heart of the Committee was Mr. BRANCH, "its outside secretary." He drew its resolutions, wrote its reports, furnished its facts, suggested its theories, faced terrible bull-dogs, narrowly escaped assassins, went on a secret expedition to England and returned with the indubitable evidences that GEORGE MATSELL was a born Englishman, who honestly, perhaps, presuming himself a native, had never been naturalized; and so educated the public sentiment to the thought that the Chief might be ejected, and still the world's foundations not be broken up, that when the Legislature took the whole Department, as a plowman does a black-snake, by its tail, and with a sudden jerk snapped off its head, public decency was not very much violated. All this Herculean labor, which the "outside Secretary" performed with monomaniacal energy, the Common Council indorsed, encouraged, and agreed to pay for. So BRANCH put in the bill. Its sudden apparition seared their eye-balls—they thought the joke had gone far enough. Had not they laughed at poor BRANCH'S absurdities, and envied his rhetoric,—and must they pay him beside? They were horrified. The tax-payers would never stand it. They feared to face the people, if they should authorize such gross and lavish expenditures. Enter BRANCH—He would remit all claims for services, though Mr. CURTIS NOYES and his other assistant counsel, were paid promptly for their share of them, but he must be reimbursed for his actual expenses to Brandon, his consultation with Minister BUCHANAN, and all that. The people backed up his appeal, and the Press and Justice urged it. Still reluctant, BRANCH, the ghost, took each separate rogue in his gripe and shook him till all his sins, and frauds and little evidences of corruption tumbled out into the people's sight. Then poor BRANCH went down on his knees, and prayed to Alderman, Councilman, Comptroller, Mayor, Chamberlain, Auditor for his dues. He pleaded the widow whom he owed—the washer-woman, the landlord, and, severally, all the hungry crew of creditors who dogged his steps and worried his life and his last pennies out. He was so far successful that when, in the expiring hours of the last Common Council, the tax-levy stuck, BRANCH'S bill stuck with it. When, by a sort of Cæsarian section, the tax-levy saw the light again, Mayor Wood made no objection to his bill. But the Comptroller refused to pass the other items, and BRANCH was still unpaid. Our new Board, however, has honored his claims in their amended tax-levy. Comptroller BARKIS is willin', and the Legislature is not likely to haggle at it, but now a new obstacle lies in BRANCH'S path to reinstatement as an honest, debt-paying man. Mayor TIEMANN says he will not pay the Branch item "until he has thoroughly investigated it." It was at this point that, last night, before the sober Councilmen in session, BRANCH the ghost rose up. In a petition, that makes two solid columns of the TIMES, he sets forth the melancholy aspect of his affairs, and dissects away the skin and adipose tissue from the fair faces of some of our most honored citizens. No reader of this document can fail to observe how strangely Mr. BRANCH'S style has altered; whereas formerly he ambled, now he charges; whereas he was wont to dally and flow back in eddies, now he rushes like a swollen river that threatens to carry away at once all the integrity of our new and beloved Mayor, the wisdom of PETER COOPER, and even the bread and butter of his old friend CARSON.

If the memorial ever so delicately stated what in every line it insinuates, it would be outrageously libelous; but while nobody must for a moment credit its hints as authenticated facts, it is very suggestive and explicit as to the motives that would actuate our good men, sages and philanthropists, if they were rascals, fools and thieves. BRANCH is terrible. We hope he has not wrecked anybody's reputation, but, for own peace, the world's composure and for justice' sake, we hope his bill will be paid, early, and the ghost laid.

### Sea and Ship News.

The steamer *Phineas Sprague*, from Boston for Philadelphia, ran foul of the schooner *Chelsea*, off Nauset, on the night of the 9th inst., and sunk her immediately. The crew were taken off, and landed at Holmes Hole next day. The schooner was loaded with oak timber.

The steamships of the Collins line will be sold at auction on the 18th inst. BROWN, BROTHERS & Co. are most likely to be the purchasers.

THE EUROPEAN FLEET.—The Boston *Shipping List* publishes a list of the number and position of vessels engaged in the United States and the European trade, together with vessels in the African trade, or that cross the Atlantic from ports to or from the United States. According to this there are ships, 666; barks, 225; brigs, 66; schooners, 39; total, 1,196. This is, of course, exclusive of vessels engaged in the coasting trade.

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### Obituary.

REV. NATHANIEL W. TAYLOR, S. T. D., a [illegible] graphic notice of whose death we published yesterday morning, was a native of New-Milford, Litchfield County, Conn., and was born in June, 1786. His grandfather, Rev. NATHANIEL TAYLOR, was pastor of the Congregational Church in New-Milford for more than fifty years. He graduated at Yale College in the year 1807, and was a favorite pupil of Dr. DWIGHT, then President. After leaving College he occupied for a time the position of private tutor in the family of Gen. VAN RENSSELAER, the Patroon; being the companion and friend of the General's son STEPHEN, with whom Dr. TAYLOR passed a Winter in Canada. On turning to New-Haven in 1809, he pursued theological studies with Dr. DWIGHT, acting at the same time as tutor to the President. He began preaching about the close of 1810, and in 1812 was ordained as pastor of the First Congregational Church in New-Haven, as successor to Rev. MOSES STUART, who was called from his pastorate to become a Professor in the new Theological Seminary at Andover, Mass.

The ministry of Dr. TAYLOR was made of great ability and success, continuing till 1822, when, on the organization of the Theological Department in Yale College, he was chosen as Dwight Professor of Didactic Theology. He has continued to perform, with uncommon energy and talent, the duties of this office until within a few weeks of his death,—and has been instrumental in aiding to prepare for the ministry of the Gospel not less than seven hundred ministers.

Genial in spirit, endowed with remarkable conversational power, and possessing great warmth of affection, he was endeared to all who knew him; while his giant power of intellect made all feel that he was truly a great man.

### The Union Bank Defalcation.

No clue has as yet been obtained to the whereabouts of BRONNASSOR, the Bank defaulter. Mr. JOHN H. MORT, his alleged accomplice, was yesterday taken before the Recorder, and his examination set down for to-day at 2 P. M. A great deal of dissatisfaction is expressed at the Police Head-quarters at the action of the Mayor in placing the warrant for BRONNASSOR'S arrest in the hands of Sergeant BERRY, instead of giving it to detective officer KERR, who had had the management of the case hitherto, and would doubtless have been more likely to conduct it to a successful issue.

The mother and unmarried sisters of BRONNASSOR (he has no father) are poor, and keep a boarding-house in West Sixteenth-street. He has relatives of the highest respectability in this City and Brooklyn. He lived unostentatiously in one of a row of an elegant basement brown-stone front houses in Thirty-second-street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues. He was a member of the Light Guard.

He was highly esteemed by all who knew him, and was a very agreeable man in the social circle. It is generally believed by his friends that the love of gaming was his sole inducement to commit the crime, and that his intention was to refund the amount of the first defalcation when he should rise as much at play, but that he wasted on by successive steps until it became too late to turn back.

BRONNASSOR'S personal appearance is not prepossessing. He has a cadaverous look; his hair is very nearly red, and his whiskers and moustache quite red. His eyes were small and very black. He was below the medium size. His wife, who is a lovely woman, has left her own residence and is residing with some of her relatives. Her father and mother are living, and have until recently resided with her.

Hon. Rufus Choate delivers, at the Tremont Temple, Boston, this evening, an oration on "Hamilton and Burr." The occasion is the 25th anniversary of the organization of the Boston Mercantile Library Association.

# MUNICIPAL.

## BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

[illegible] Sheets of Frauds in the Street Commissioner's Office.—A Remarkable Communication from Stephen H. Branch.

The Board of Aldermen met last evening, President Conover in the Chair. The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the pier (No. 35) foot of Franklin-street, North River, be struck out of the list of piers and piers to be leased on the 16th instant at auction, as said pier has been applied for ferry purposes, and is now under consideration by the Committee on Ferries.

The following communication was received from D. D. Conover, Esq., and read:

STREET COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, New-York, March 11, 1858.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of New-York:

Gentlemen: Accounts of the undersigned having been required by the Comptroller in the matter of the Regulating, grading, [illegible] and flagging Fifty-first-street from Seventh-avenue to East River, an examination of the books and papers appertaining thereto has been made, and the following facts appear:

A contract was made with Philip Fahey, July 1, 1853, time allowed twelve months; work completed, as by Inspector's return, April 11, 1855; assessment [illegible] June 16, 1855. The work which was advertised to be done, and the prices at which the work was contracted for, were as follows, viz:

Rock excavation, at 37 cents per cubic yard.
Earth excavation, at 5 cents per cubic yard.
Setting curb and gutter, 44 cents per lineal foot.
Flagging, 16½ cents per square foot.
Culverts, 50 cents per lineal foot.

On the completion of the work the Surveyor reported the following amount of the above items, viz:

[illegible] cubic yards earth excavated.
[illegible] cubic yards rock excavated.
[illegible] lineal feet curb and gutter set.
[illegible] square feet flagging laid.
[illegible] lineal feet culvert built.

Which, at the above prices, would amount to (as due the Contractor) ..... $13,044 07

The amount which the assessments made upon the property, at $1 per assessment lot, was .... 20,167 06

A deduction against the property owners of ..... 7,122 39

Which is made up by extra allowances for, as follows, viz:

[illegible] cubic feet of dry wall, at 12½ cents.
17,857 cubic feet of mason wall, at 30 cents.
[illegible] square feet of coping and steps, at 78 cents.

Because which work was included or intended to be included in the contract. An examination of the Street Commissioner's certificate respecting the terms of the contract, which was furnished to the Assessors, shows that it was made out by George T. Rogers, the then Contract Clerk, in the regular form, embracing correctly the items of work and the prices thereof, as contained in the contract; but that subsequently, and before the certificate was handed to the Inspector, the above extra allowances were added to the prices, by Charles Turner, the then Deputy Street Commissioner. This act of extra allowances, inexcusable enough of itself, except by the [illegible] of those days in the Street Department, is rendered still more injurious to the property owners by the exorbitant prices of 12½ and 30 cents per cubic foot for dry and mason well respectively, and 78 cents per running foot for coping and steps, and by a subsequent overcharge of expenses for assessing and collecting of assessing over $100.

Your undersigned also refers to the matter of the Flagging, including curbing, curb and gutter and flagging Fifty-first-street from Forty-ninth to Fifty-fourth-street, in reference to which the following facts appear:

One Charles Devlin was the Contractor, John T. Dodge, Surveyor; assessment list was confirmed Feb. 19, 1856. The work advertised to be done, and the prices at which the same was contracted for, were as follows, viz:

Rock excavation, at 60 cents per cubic yard.
Earth excavation, at 10 cents per cubic yard.
Setting curb and gutter, at 40 cents per lineal foot.
Flagging, at 16 cents per square foot.

On completion of the work, the Surveyor returned the following amount of the above items, viz:

[illegible] cubic yards rock excavated.
[illegible] cubic yards earth excavated.
[illegible] lineal feet curb and gutter set.
[illegible] square feet flagging laid.

Which, at the contract prices above mentioned, would amount to (as due the Contractor) ..... $5,058 13

Deduct amount due him, as per assessment ..... 6,807 93

Balance against the property owners of $1,833 80 which amount is made up from the following allowances made to the Contractor in the drawing of Charles Turner, the then Deputy:

[illegible] foot retaining wall, at 30 cents.
[illegible] foot small drain, repaired at $3.
[illegible] lumber, &c., $1,409 80.

The following cases exhibit a new feature of the [illegible] through which assessment liens have been [illegible] upon property, without causing the at[illegible] to the owners thereof in the early stages of the proceedings, in the first place, there being no especial necessity for a certain work being done, no application is made to the Common Council, and consequently no ordinance or resolution authorizing said work to be done is passed, and the public attention cannot therefore be drawn to the subject. Secondly, there is no authority for it, no contract is made, thirdly, without either of those preliminaries, a party, with the consent and concurrence of the Street Commissioner, assumes to do the work, and in such manner and to such extent as may suit the purpose in view; and which being done, a conference between the Street Commissioner and the operator results in arranging the amount to be paid for the work [illegible] satisfactorily to both; matters thus far being accomplished, the Street Commissioner makes out a certificate in respect to the work, and for the information and guidance of the Assessors, in the following form, viz.:

STREET DEPARTMENT, NEW-YORK, Dec. 10, 1855.

*Regulating a Drain on West Side of Second-avenue across Forty-ninth-street.*

I certify that the contract for the above work was awarded to Charles Devlin, at the prices annexed, and that the same has been returned by the Inspector as duly done and completed. The apportionment of assessment may be made.

[illegible] upon which the Work was Awarded.

[illegible] drain ..... $345

JAMES FUREY, Street Commissioner.
Per CHARLES TURNER.

[illegible] assurances of such fraudulent certificate, [illegible] proceed to make out and apportion an [illegible] upon the property for the cost of the work, [illegible] amount of $245, and the usual expenses of advertising, inspecting, assessing and collecting, [illegible] to perfected passes to the Common Council, is confirmed, and thereby the assessments become a lien upon the property; and as the [illegible] obtaining relief through the Courts would [illegible] the amount assessed, the owner of the property pays the assessment to get rid of the lien.

[illegible] programme by which the following cases [illegible] were perfected, viz:

[illegible] drain, west side of Second-avenue, across [illegible]-street, work done by Charles Devlin:

| | |
|---|---|
| [illegible] paid him | $245 00 |
| [illegible] | 38 88 |
| [illegible] assessed upon property | $283 88 |
| [illegible] curb and gutter in Forty-eighth-street, between Ninth and Eleventh avenues, work done by [illegible] Devlin; amount paid him | $243 00 |
| [illegible] | 60 69 |
| [illegible] assessed upon property | $303 69 |
| [illegible] drain, east side of Fifth-avenue, across [illegible]-street, and paving and filling Fifth-avenue, work done by Charles Devlin; amount | |
| [illegible] | $238 50 |
| [illegible] | 39 54 |
| [illegible] assessed upon property | $278 04 |
| [illegible] curb and gutter, flagging, &c., Fifty-first-street, between Eleventh and Twelfth avenues, work done by Charles Devlin; amount paid | |
| [illegible] | $210 00 |
| [illegible] | 57 53 |
| [illegible] assessed against property | $267 53 |
| [illegible] resetting curb and gutter and filling [illegible], between Eighth and Ninth avenues, work done by Charles Devlin; amount paid | |
| [illegible] | $200 00 |
| [illegible] | 53 40 |
| [illegible] assessed against property | $253 40 |
| [illegible] repairing sidewalks in Forty-eighth-street, between Eleventh and Twelfth avenues, work done by Charles Devlin; amount paid him | $160 00 |
| [illegible] | 51 54 |
| [illegible] assessed upon property | $211 54 |
| [illegible] and filling intersections of Twenty-ninth-street and [illegible]-avenue; work by Charles Devlin; paid him | $90 00 |
| [illegible] | 50 60 |
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| [illegible] | $901 76 |
| [illegible] | 109 08 |
| [illegible] assessed upon property | $1,070 86 |
| [illegible] Forty-sixth-street, between [illegible] and Ninth avenues, and resetting circular [illegible] curb and gutter; work done by Hugh [illegible]; amount paid him | $247 00 |
| [illegible] | 57 72 |
| [illegible] assessed upon property | $304 72 |
| [illegible] repairing intersections of Tenth-avenue with Forty-seventh, Forty-eighth, Forty-fifth, Fifty-first, Fifty-second, Fifty-third and Fifty-fourth streets, work done by L. Farley; amount paid him | $1,496 18 |
| [illegible] | 518 08 |
| [illegible] assessed against property | $2,014 26 |

[illegible] to add, that in all these cases [illegible] performed without money and legal [illegible] without contract, and consequently the [illegible] could not have been collected by law [illegible], nor the assessments of the property [illegible] put, so quietly was the work performed, and of a character which, if [illegible] to the property owners, without causing the at[illegible] to the owners thereof in the early stages of the proceedings, in the first place, there being no especial necessity for a certain work being done, no application is made to the Common Council, and consequently no ordinance or resolution authorizing said work to be done is passed, and the public attention cannot therefore be drawn to the subject. Secondly, there is no authority for it, no contract is made, thirdly, without either of those preliminaries, a party, with the consent and concurrence of the Street Commissioner, assumes to do the work, and in such manner and to such extent as may suit the purpose in view; and which being done, a conference between the Street Commissioner and the operator results in arranging the amount to be paid for the work satisfactorily to both; matters thus far being accomplished, the Street Commissioner makes out a certificate in respect to the work, and for the information and guidance of the Assessors, in the following form, viz.:

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formed, and afterwards so apparently legalized by the property owners on the one hand, and the Comptroller and Street Commissioner on the other, that [illegible] received into payments for the work.

D. D. CONOVER, Street Commissioner.

Alderman Rodgers said he had listened to the report very attentively, and he thought it was calculated to call the attention of the public to the parties named. It was very evident to him that the parties at the head of the Street Department were prejudiced against the parties named. The Courts had decided that Mr. Devlin was Street Commissioner. Mr. Conover had no right whatever to be in the office of the Street Department. In the report just read, as well as in the others that had been presented by Mr. Conover, the trouble seemed to be in the quantities of work certified by the Surveyors. Now, he had no doubt that it was necessary sometimes to make changes, but so far as his experience and observation went, he was satisfied that a very great deal of the wrong that had been done was through the Surveyors; and he hoped the Committee on Frauds would report some method by which the City might be relieved from the system of "City Surveyors." If nothing better could be done, he hoped such Surveyors as we e known to have made erroneous returns of quantities, would have their office taken from them. But, as the matter stood now, he could not see that any benefit would accrue from such reports as the one that had just been read. Mr. Conover, as had been decided by a full bench, had neither right nor title to the office; and it appeared to him that Mr. C. was using his control of the books of the office merely to blacken the reputation of his opponents. He hoped that the Street Commissioner's office would either be closed, until the question of right shall have been settled finally, or that some Standing Committee should have charge of it. *Mayor Tiemann had given Mr. Conover the keys*, but he would let Mr. Conover go where he belonged, and that was out of the Street Commissioner's office; for the Courts had decided that he was an outsider. For such reasons he moved that the *communication be laid on the table.*

Alderman Tucker hoped such a course would not be pursued.

It was then referred to the Committee on Frauds, and the Board adjourned to Tuesday next, to meet in the new Chamber of the Board of Councilmen. The Aldermen's room is to be altered and refitted; and until it is finished they will meet in the Council Chamber, on Tuesdays.

## Board of Councilmen.

The Board of Councilmen met on Thursday, the President, C. H. Haswell, Esq., in the Chair.

The petition of Stephen H. Branch was presented by Councilman Brady, and the reading commenced by the Clerk.

STEPHEN H. BRANCH'S PETITION.

*To the Honorable the Common Council:*

Gentlemen: Your petitioner respectfully represents that, on Friday last, Comptroller Flagg said: "Mr. Branch, your claim is gone to Albany on the tax levy, but I have resolved to pay you now. I do not think the Legislature will refuse to confirm it, but if it should, I shall assume the entire responsibility of paying you in the absence of its legislative confirmation. So, Mr. Branch, you may go and tell the Mayor that I am ready to pay you the moment he will signify his disposition to cooperate with me."

Tears fell from my eyes, and I looked up to see if it were a delightful dream, or if some fair angels were breathing sweet music in my ears, or if my lamented father had returned to the earth, as I almost recognized his pleasing voice in the grateful words of the venerable Comptroller; and with a joyous heart I leaped across the Park and delivered the Comptroller's message to the Mayor, who said that he would see the Comptroller on that day. I visited the Mayor on Saturday, (alas! the very day his old friend George W. Matsell arrived in the City from Iowa,) who said he would see the Comptroller on Monday. I saw the Mayor on Monday, who sharply said that he should not unite with the Comptroller *in the payment of my claim* until he had thoroughly examined the merits of the entire Matsell investigation. I said that the Common Council of the past and present years had unanimously passed a resolution authorizing my payment for services which had no connection with the merits of the Matsell case. The Mayor said he didn't care, for he meant to sift the whole Matsell inquiry before he would recognize the payment of my claim.

I might have told him that I would spank his own child unto a deep crimson, (and incur the perils of incarceration,) until the little brat related the minutest details of the Matsell investigation including his juvenile philosophy of its merits; that to search for the "merits" of the Matsell case was like a voyage of discovery for the locality of the sun, while blazing in the centre of a cloudless firmament; that his proposed scrutiny into Matsell's "merits" was a *cowardly and dishonorable subterfuge; that he was the* son of a Dutchman, and a sworn friend of Matsell, with whom he had cooperated for twenty years, in the dirty pool of primary politics; that if the voters of New-York had known, he married the daughter of Peter Cooper, and that his eldest son bore the name of Peter Cooper, he would never have been elected Mayor, as inoculation and contagion result from association; that Peter Cooper was Assistant Alderman of the Twelfth Ward in 1828, '29 and '30, and Alderman of the Sixteenth Ward in 1840; and that Daniel F. Tiemann was Assistant Alderman of the Sixteenth Ward in 1838, and Alderman in 1839, and was Assistant Alderman of the Twelfth Ward in 1851, and Alderman in 1852 and '53, those terrible years which the tax-payers of New-York and their posterity will remember as long as grass grows and water runs. That during their Aldermanic career of more than a quarter of a century, they never pilfered a farthing from the Corporation, but spent thousands to secure their elections, for the distinguished honor of being Aldermen. That one of the worst aldermanic rogues of 1853 told me that Cooper and Tiemann made immense fortunes as Aldermen, which I flatly denied, as I viewed Cooper and Tiemann as honorable as the noble Brutus, whom Cæsar loved and Antony eulogized; that another Aldermanic scamp of 1852 told me that Ex-Mayor Kingsland was a warm friend of Cooper, Tiemann, Matsell and Gerard, and that Kingsland made more money while Mayor, in 1851-52, in oil, Genevoort and other overshadowing speculations, than all the Mayors who preceded him—which I palpably denied, and *violently* threw a lighted cigar in the face of the municipal rogue for *his fallacious* accusations against Kingsland, who is known to be a very conscientious man; that Cooper and Tiemann made their stupendous fortunes through the traffic of transparent oil, transparent glass, transparent paint, transparent putty, transparent iron and *transparent brass; that Cooper and Tiemann have* not been municipal paupers for thirty years, under the fascinating garb of City reformers; that Mayor Tiemann's arrest of the policy and lottery dealers, gamesters and other sinners, arises from his natural and *artificial aversion to evil, and is not a mantle to* screen him from the public gaze while engaged in *prodigious Mayoralty speculations*; that the antecedents of himself and Peter irresistibly militate with such a monstrous assumption; that Daniel F. Tiemann made not a copper as Almshouse Governor, and never favored extravagant appropriations under the guise of the pauper's amelioration; that his modest and official declaration on leaving the Governors—"I believe all the Governors are perfectly honest, although I entertained a different opinion before I became a Governor,"—was sufficient to establish his own integrity as a Governor, including the honor and frugality of his comrades; that it is a libel to say that the Governors, including Governor Tiemann, ever smoked cigars that cost the tax payers $60 a thousand, or drank costly champagne at the public expense, or gave public bacchanals on Blackwell's Island, or made an enormous per centage on the purchase of supplies for the paupers, or took a fiendish advantage of female loveliness and loneliness on Blackwell's Island; that the recent extensive conflagration on Blackwell's Island was not designed, and that it was more than providential that several hundred invalids in the hospital at the time the fire began, should escape, without a solitary exception, without a scratch or bruise, or the shadow of a mutilation; that the Governors are extremely sorry the hospital is destroyed, and do not desire nor expect to make a cent in the erection of a splendid edifice on its ruins; that there are no official paupers in the Board of Ten Governors who have held office like Cooper and Tiemann, since their early manhood; that neither Mayor Tiemann nor Peter desire or expect to make a penny during the present Mayoralty administration, although it is whispered that Peter Cooper strives very hard to sell several lots to the Corporation, for the construction of fire-engine houses, at tolerably high prices, considering the famine that hovers over the City, and that he will have a harder task to obtain the coöperation of the Mayor in the consummation of the jobs than the Comptroller had in obtaining the Mayor's coöperation to pay your petitioner; that Stephen H. Branch taught Peter Cooper and his daughter grammar and composition; that Mr. Cooper's motive in cultivating his mind at his remote age, was to enable him to write a grammatical address to deliver at the dedication of his literary institution at the junction of the Third and Fourth avenues—which he does not believe was constructed with moneys procured from the public treasury during his long Aldermanic career; that if it were thus erected with the people's money, indirectly or dishonorably obtained, the great literary institution would be no public donation, after all, as it belonged to the public before its construction; that Peter Cooper was a smart scholar, although his chronic piles, and his incessant whirls and sudden bounces in his rotary easy-chair slightly retarded his intellectual progress; that Mr. Branch taught Mr. Cooper at the time his venerable pupil presented his famous tank communication to the Common Council, through Alderman Thomas Christy, proposing to construct a tank on the summit of the City Hall, huge enough to hold water sufficient to quench all the fires in the Fifth, Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Fire Districts, which Mr. Branch always considered a rational and perfectly practical proposition, which he has reason to believe was introduced by the precocious son to the unsophisticated dad, and that the Aldermanic reformers grossly slighted daddy by rejecting, in utter silence, his invaluable, astonishing and almost supernatural conception of the immortal tank; and, finally, that he does not believe the immaculate names of Daniel F. Tiemann, Peter Cooper, Ex-Mayor Kingsland and James W. Gerard ever adorned the black-book of Chief Matsell, nor that these distinguished gentlemen fear Matsell.

(I might have illuminated the acutely-cultivated genius of Daniel F. Tiemann with these and other

charming thoughts, but as the way I have [illegible] Citizen, I, of course, modestly retired in silence from this most terrific presence.) I say, that it might have stored his pure and highly-civilized intellect with these and other bewildering intellectations, but I silently resolved to reserve the former for this petition, and the latter for another servant-prayer to the Common Council, which will make about forty pages, when I shall present a breast so clean as to mirror vice in the celestial face of a bogus aldermanic reformer of the Twelfth or Sixteenth Ward.

Peter Cooper need not be ashamed of a teacher who taught in New-York and Brooklyn nearly two thousand servants of all nations, including Africans. I taught servants in the kitchens of Rev. Dr. Dewey, Rev. Dr. Wainwright, Daniel Lord, James T. Brady, and other distinguished citizens. I taught a colored woman, over sixty years of age, who had a cancer, and who desired to read the Bible before she died. While I taught servants I was in feeble health, and boarded with Horace Greeley for several years, at the old Graham House, in Barclay street, and was at the table in conversation with Greeley when Fred Douglass and lady, the eminent colored orator, came to the table and took their memorable breakfasts with us, which led to a protracted disputation on practical amalgamation between Horace Greeley and Major Noah. In 1849 I began to teach public men, among whom was a man who subsequently became a Senator of the American Congress, and is now at his post in Washington. I also taught four members of Congress, two of whom are in the present House of Representatives at Washington; two ex-Mayors; one Judge, who is now on the bench in this City; two police justices; thirty-eight aldermen, nine of whom belonged to the infamous Common Council of 1852-3, with two of whom I began the alphabet; fourteen Assistant Aldermen, four of whom belonged to the gang of 1852-3; seven of the thirty-eight Aldermen belonged to the reform Common Council of 1854 and 1855, one of whom I learned to read, and two to *write their own names.* I wrote nearly all the resolutions and reports of my Aldermanic pupils which were printed in the minutes of the Common Council. I also taught one Ex-Chief *Engineer of the Fire De*partment, ten Ex Councilmen, one Ex-President of the *Board of Aldermen*, and *one* of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, thirteen members of the Legislature, three of whom are in the present Legislature; two Almshouse Governors, one of whom is now a Governor, and ungratefully urges Mayor Tiemann to reject *my claim*; eighteen firemen, twenty-three policemen, three American pugilists, two English pugilists, and two Irish pugilists, one of whom was Yankee Sullivan. I also taught one Surveyor of the port of New-York, who was a member of Congress; two Ex-Coroners, two Ex-Sheriffs, seven clerks in the Municipal Department, and many distinguished merchants, mechanics and others; and the man who has done all this is robbed of his just dues by Mayor Tiemann, is an invalid, and wants bread and shelter from the pitiless elements.

And what are the motives of the Mayor's persecution? Listen. I have already told you that Mayor Tiemann was a member of the Common Council in 1828, '29, '51, '52 and '53. In 1851, '52 and '53, I wrote the annual reports of Alfred Carson, Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, hurling arrows of political death against the corruptionists. Although I taught the Aldermen and Assistant Aldermen of those memorable years to spell, read, write and cipher, for my subsistence, yet I did not spare them in the Carson reports, because I desired to improve their minds and morals at the same time. Mayor Tiemann did not relish the terrible maledictions of Carson's reports, and denounced me as their author; and his hatred lurks in his bosom to this day. I recently expposed the fast notions of the Alms-house Governors, when the then Governor Tiemann officially anathematized me for impugning the purity of himself and brethren. He approved of my violent attacks on the Record Commissioners, for squandering more than half a million of dollars in the publication of musty records, but when I attacked the Governors, he officially branded me as a lunatic.

I have long known that he was a warm personal and political friend of Matsell, and he evidently dishikes my course towards that gentleman, especially as Mayor Tiemann's father, and perhaps himself, were born beneath foreign skies, like Matsell. Hence *his motives for my destruction.* The Mayor is not only coaxed by Matsell not to pay my claim, but several Ex-Aldermen and other officials to whom I imparted the alphabet and other principles of the English language during the past dozen years, have powerful influence with Mayor Tiemann, and urge him to veto my claim. One of these Ex-Aldermanic pupils, who has been a sacred bosom friend of the Mayor for thirty years, strove to bribe me to abandon *Alfred Carson in 1853.* I nearly paralyzed the monster with a glance, and soon ascertained and exposed his sudden acquisition of a princely estate of two hundred and four lots (for a mere nominal sum, on the banks of the East River,) through the official action of his Aldermanic confederates of 1853. This man, with other municipal rogues of that period, recently defeated Alfred Carson as Chief Engineer, and *now* seeks to drive me to the poor-house and the grave. *Alfred Carson asked me to write his annual report of* 1850, (with his statistics before me,) and I could not leave him during his terrible struggle with the politicians, without assuming the position of Judas to the Saviour. The reform Common Council of 1855 employed me to conduct the Matsell inquiry, and I could not desert my employers without similar treachery. My fidelity to Carson and the reform Common Council is the source of my present misfortunes. Poor *Carson! I pity him. On Wednesday* last he told me that he did not know where to get bread for his wife and six children, and his father and mother, each nearly eighty years old. His landlord threatens to sue him, and he knows not what to do. This seems a hard fate for a man who has been an active fireman twenty-five successive years, twelve years Assistant Engineer, without salary, and nine years Chief Engineer. Soon after his memorable defeat, the noble firemen appointed a Committee to present him a substantial testimonial. Five months since, complimentary resolutions were presented to him, which were published in the newspapers, accompanied by a check for $1,400. The Treasurer of the Committee whispered to Carson not to present the check, as he had not so much money in bank. Carson still holds the check, and has visited the Treasurer about one hundred times, from whom he has obtained in five months past only $200 up to Wednesday last, when *Carson told me that he* did not expect he would ever be able to obtain any *more.*

Many a gallant fireman will weep at this sad calamity to their faithful and honest Chief, who sacrificed *himself in his fidelity to them and to the citizens at* large. I cannot restrain my tears when I think of his *misfortunes* and my own. We both might have reveled in affluence if we had bartered our integrity to the municipal thieves. Our operations in the Fire and Police Departments resulted in the creation of the Fire and Police commissions; the Fire Commissioners *have suppressed the bloody* collisions of the firemen, and the results of the Police Commissioners are in the future. The results of our labors are a pillow cold and wet with tears. And the man who is just elected Mayor through the results of our toil and sacrifice, is *my evil genius, and would drive me to self destruction.* My lamented father's watch is in the clutches *of a London* pawnbroker. My health is forever lost, through my enthusiastic pursuit of Corporation robbers. I am boarding at a restaurant on credit. I have an attic room on credit. Even my faithful Irish washerwoman washes my shirts and stockings on credit, to whom I owe $30, who often comes in the cold and snows and implores me to relieve herself and children with coal, shoes and food, and from the demands of her landlord for rent. And I now dare Mayor Tiemann to take my arm and visit my restaurant proprietor, and landlord, and washerwoman, and Mr. Simpson, the pawnbroker—with whom I have two silver spoons in pawn, one of which my departed mother gave me in infancy, and the other my father gave me just prior to his death. Let the Mayor accompany me, and if I fail to prove all I here assert, I will abandon my claim and hide my face with shame, as an unparalleled impostor. Let him go with me to my physician, and I will also establish my utter inability to procure subsistence until my trembling frame is invigorated by exhilaration through a cessation of the tortures that shadow my pathway. This exposition will drive me from the restaurant and from my lodgings, and even my washerwoman will abandon me, and God only knows where I shall get food and lodgings after these revelations, as my credit vanished with Mayor Tiemann's fatal and cruel decision. To the Americans, Republicans and Democrats of the past and present Common Council I extend my most affectionate gratitude. On the Americans I had claims. But in view of my pursuit of Colonel Fremont into Canada after his birthplace, on the eve of the last Presidential election, I could expect no mercy from the Republicans; and yet they kindly forgave me, and unanimously voted for my claim. For my visit to Brandon, England, after the nativity of Matsell, and my violent pursuit of other prominent Democratic aliens, the Democrats had cause to complain, and yet every Democratic member of the past and present Common Council voted for my claim. And to eclipse all, and in the very teeth of my hot pursuit of him for years, Mayor Wood signed my claim without a murmur, to whom I have expressed my cordial thanks. I can resist bribes and endure penury, but I cannot resist the forgiveness and kindness of a magnanimous foe. Mr. Flagg desires to pay me, but the absence of Mayor Tiemann's signature separates me from a world of bliss, whose unparalleled persecution is arrayed against myself and the unanimous and peremptory behests of two successive Common Councils, composed of an overwhelming majority of my political adversaries, which proves the existence of avenging emotions against me in the breast of Mayor Tiemann, which are doubtless fanned by my old Aldermanic and ungrateful pupils, some of whom I learned to spell father, mother and God, and also learned to write their names. I wrote their public documents, for which they never paid me, with which the public archives literally teem. I forgive Mayor Tiemann, because I think he has two livers and no heart, and a zigzag brain, and has received no sympathy nor justice from nature nor from nature's God.

But in my next petition to the Common Council, which may prove to be my last words to mankind, I shall notice my ex-Aldermanic pupil reptiles, who now desert their intellectual benefactor, and conspire with Mayor Tiemann to foil the payment of my claim, whose odious names I will inscribe on the sacred skies, close beside the meridian sun, for the great procession of nations to behold with scorn, until their bones are consigned to an infamous sepulchre. If my health was good, and my sad and lacerated heart would only rally and beat as formerly with buoyancy and hope, I could scuffle with the world again and easily recover my departed fortunes; but all is gloom, misery and despair. And now, in horrible doom, [illegible] the Mayor's persecution [illegible] the Mayor's [illegible] and medicine and to cancel the claims of my affianced and famishing creditors. You have used my physical and intellectual energies for nearly two years. Do enable me to redeem the dying testimonials of my beloved parents—do restore my honorable dues, and save, O, save me from impending ruin and a biting poverty.

STEPHEN H. BRANCH.

Before reaching the end, the President, on motion of Councilman Brady that the further reading be suspended, remarked that the petition was a very long document, extending over 14 pages. Ultimately it was determined to print it in the minutes, and refer the matter to the Committee on Finance.

The petition of the Trustees of the New-York Infirmary for indigent women and children, asking of a donation of $2,500, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The petition of Engine Company No. 18, for payment of rent of room, was referred to the Committee on Fire Department.

The memorial of Messrs. Kurth and Ross, respecting a canal from Harlem River to North River, was referred to the Committee on Roads.

A number of reports as to assessments were laid over.

An invitation to meet the military and civic societies on St. Patrick's day was forwarded from the Committee of those Societies and accepted.

The report of the Aldermanic Committee on Frauds was received and ordered to be referred to a Select Committee.

A resolution of Alderman McSpedon requesting the City representatives at Albany to use their influence in opposing the bill asking the Common Council of New-York to purchase the Crystal Palace, having been brought from the Board of Aldermen, it was ordered to be laid upon the table.

The resolution that the proceedings of the Board be reported in the New-York Times, was passed with only one dissenting vote.

On the resolution to print the proceedings in the *Tribune*—

Councilman Arcularius wished to explain his vote. All good papers were entitled to respect. If the papers had no regard to truth and propriety, the *fault* was theirs.

Lost for want of a constitutional vote—10 to 7. Motion to reconsider lost.

A resolution of Alderman Murray to authorize the Common Council to obtain an injunction against the Board of Police, with a view to stopping the pay of Metropolitan Policemen, was brought up, and being opposed by Councilman Brady, was laid on the table.

On vote, the *Irish American*, the *Herald* and the *Journal of Commerce* were included in the list of papers in which the proceedings of the Board were to be officially reported.

A communication from Francis T. Vidal, City Surveyor, denying the truth of charges made by D. D. Conover in relation to assessments on Fifty-first-street, was laid on the table.

The report of the Finance Committee in favor of donating to the New-York Volunteers Benevolent Association the sum of $500, was adopted.

Several reports of Committees on Fire Department were laid over.

The report of the Committee on Streets in favor of confirming the award of the contract for paving New-Bowery from Chatham-square to Franklin-square was adopted.

Councilman Brady moved to take from the table a communication from D. D. Conover in relation to frauds in the Street Department, and to refer the same to a Select Committee.

On motion of Councilman Dunn, the matter was laid on the table, having been opposed by Councilman Geraty, on the ground that it would be a recognition of Mr. Conover at Street Commissioner.

The Board then adjourned to Monday.

## Police Intelligence.

Shooting in the Fourth Ward—A Curious Case.—A mysterious shooting affair occurred yesterday afternoon at the corner of Mott and Chatham streets. Quite a crowd was gathered around a man with a weighing apparatus, when, suddenly, the report of a pistol was heard, and, immediately after one of the crowd *fell to the pavement*, crying out, "I am shot!" The affair produced great excitement, and directly Officer Cunningham, of the Fourth Ward, who was standing on the opposite side of the street, and heard the report of the pistol, hurried over and arrested the man who had fired the pistol, and consigned him to the Fourth Ward Station-house. The injured man, who proved to be Jeremiah Cokely, an Irishman, living at No. 49 street, was taken to the City Hospital, where he now lies in a very critical state. He was shot in the right side, just below the ribs. The prisoner gave his name as William Leggett. He says he never saw Cokey before yesterday, and alleges that his shooting him was purely accidental. According to his story he was thoughtlessly holding the pistol in his hand when, suddenly, one of the barrels exploded. He had purchased the pistol but a short time previous at a *Pawnbroker's in South-street and supposed it was unloaded.* The injured man disclaims any previous acquaintance with the prisoner. One of the parties present when the shooting occurred, says that he saw Leggett, immediately after firing the pistol, wipe it off with his handkerchief and slip it into his pocket. Other witnesses affirmed that they did not see the revolver in his hand previous to his delivering it up to officer Cunningham. The story afterwards prevailed that he had been seen a short time before practicing with the pistol or examining the pistol—a six-barreled revolver. All the barrels but one were found heavily loaded. The prisoner remained all night locked up in the Fourth Ward Station-house. An examination in the case will be had this morning.

Descent upon Model Artists.—The Mayor's Police made a descent, Tuesday evening, on two model artists establishments, one at No. 463 Broome-street, and the other at No. 17 Howard-street. At the first-named place they arrested six young women, and at the latter ten, together with the alleged proprietors of each establishment. The parties were all taken before the Mayor yesterday. Charles Kaush and wife, who kept the place No. 463 Broome-street, were held in $3,000 bail each to answer the charge of keeping a disorderly house, and the girls were sent to the Island some for three and some for six months. *The proprietors of No. 17 Howard-street* and the female "artistes" were let off on promising to adopt some more respectable mode of earning a livelihood for the future.

Stealing a Gold Watch.—James Maloney of *No. 9 Dover-street*, was *arrested*, Wednesday, charged with having, on the night of the 4th instant, broken into the room of Joseph P. Willis, corner of Frankfort and Cliff streets, and *stolen a gold watch* valued at $50. The watch was found in the hands of a jeweler. The accused was locked up for trial.

The Silk Robbery.—Mr. Richard J. Larcombe, of No. 75 Chambers-street, whose premises were recently entered by burglars and goods stolen therefrom, states that the amount taken, instead of being $15,000 was about $8,000; and further, that the intimation that the clerks in his establishment were *privy to the transaction* is without foundation in fact.


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Resolved, That we heartily sympathize with his afflicted friends and bereaved relatives, knowing and feeling from our own experience that they have sustained a great loss, but assuring, however, by the consciousness that their loss is his infinite gain.

Resolved, That, as a mark of our respect and esteem for our departed friend, we will assume the appropriate badge of mourning for the usual period, and that, as a further mark of respect to his memory, we will attend his funeral in a body.

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BOARDING.—A LARGE, PLEASANT ROOM, OR suite of rooms, to let with board to a gentleman and wife, or a few single gentlemen. House first-class and pleasantly situated, terms moderate. Apply at No. 211 Hudson-st.

BOARDING.—A GENTLEMAN AND WIFE, OR A few gentlemen, can be accommodated with pleasant rooms and full or partial board at No. 363 Broadway, between 18th and 19th sts. References exchanged.

BOARDING—AT NOS. 45, 47 AND 49 EAST Broadway for gentlemen and their wives and for single gentlemen. E. BOUTON.

BOARD.—A FAMILY OCCUPYING A FIRST-class house near Madison square would let to a small genteel family, who board a part of their house, including use of piano, etc. The best of reference required. Address W. E., Madison-square Post-Office.

BOARD IN BROOKLYN.—GENTLEMEN WITH their wives, or single gentlemen, can be accommodated with very pleasant and comfortable rooms and good board. Apply at No. 79 Sands-st., corner of Jay, Brooklyn. References required.

BOARD WANTED—FROM THE FIRST OF MAY, by a gentleman and lady, two rooms, for a gentleman and his wife, in the 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, and 24 and 6th avs. Address S. Box 86 Post-Office.

NOS. 48 AND 50 WEST TWENTY-THIRD-st.—Elegantly furnished rooms to let, with board, at moderate prices. House first-class with all the modern improvements. Reference.

## FINE ARTS.

FINE ARTS.—FOR SALE VERY CHEAP—A Fine Collection of Paintings, Engravings, Statuary, Bronzes, Vases, Mirrors, Chandeliers, Gas Fixtures, Carpets, Furniture, Pianos, Organs, Gilt Frames, Marble Tables, Clocks, Bronze and Gilt Ornaments, Rosewood Bedsteads, Wardrobes, Dressing Bureaus, Wash-stands, Tables, Chairs, Sofas, Lounges, Bedding, Crockery and Glassware, Kitchen Furniture, Cooking Stoves, Ranges, Tools, Ladders, Scaffolding, Boards, Lumber, Cellar Shelving, Gas Pipe, Fixtures, Fire-proof Safes, Iron Safes, Counters, Shelving, Gas Fixtures, Chandeliers, Lamps

## AUCTION SALES.

[illegible], THURSDAY, March 18, at Hotwick [illegible] Hamilton.

VALUABLE PROPERTY IN BEAVER-ST.—[illegible] Company, and the Stockholders of the Hudson River Railroad Company [illegible] The valuable 4 story stone and brick [illegible] Beaver-st., No. 1 to 11 feet 7 inches front, and 14 feet 6 inches in rear, by 110 feet 9 inches on the westerly side, and 110 feet on the easterly side. The store is 22 feet 6 inches front, 18 feet 9 inches rear, and 21 feet 6 inches deep; built in the most substantial manner, very heavily timbered and has cellar throughout, the floors made in the best manner, and iron rafters and roof. The lots are indisputable. The property is held at the above appointments, by the owners of lease. The store is rented until the 1st May next at 1000 per annum, and the purchaser will be entitled to the quarterly rent from on that day.

TERMS OF SALE.

Fifty per cent in any of the obligations of the Company.

Fifty per cent in any of the obligations of the Company maturing the present year.

Twenty per cent of the amount of any of the obligations of the Company above mentioned. The usual conveyance, with the usual guarantee, and the purchaser will be expected to take and possession will be given on 1st April.

Samuel W. Wiggins, Auctioneer—Office No. 6 Bank of Commerce Building, Nassau-st.

LARGE SALE OF ELEGANT ROSEWOOD PIANOFORTES, PARLOR SUITES, ROSEWOOD BEDSTEADS, PAINTINGS, &c., WITH THE ELEGANT FURNITURE AND ARRANGEMENTS OF THE HOUSE, CONTAINING OVER $12,000, TO BE SOLD WITHOUT RESERVE.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, MARCH 13, at 10½ o'clock precisely. This sale will take place in the premises No 105 West 32d-st., between the 5th and 6th ave., without regard to weather, it comprises a very large and elegant variety of every thing to be found in a fashionably furnished residence. Catalogues will be at the house, and a deposit required of all purchasers.

PARLOR FURNITURE CONSISTS OF—Splendid velvet carpets, three full suits solid rosewood and parlor furniture, few of which are covered in satin brocade, and one in silk velvet, all made to order and in perfect condition; richly carved centre, side and pier tables, with marble tops; splendid rosewood cabinet, two splendid marble top mantel mirrors with slabs and [illegible] mantel mirrors, elegant lace curtains, corner [illegible] mirror, marble paintings on canvas and glass, marble and [illegible] vases, with a large and beautiful collection of mantel vases and unique parlor ornaments, chandeliers, &c.

ELEGANT ROSEWOOD CHAMBER FURNITURE.

Marble top dressing bureaus, carved bedsteads, rosewood [illegible] with plate doors, [illegible] English blankets, French [illegible], mahogany furniture in hair cloth, sofa bedsteads, [illegible] shades and lace curtains to 30 windows, gilt mirrors, French toilet sets, bronze clocks, &c.

SOLID OAK DINING-ROOM FURNITURE.

Extension dining table, marble-top sideboard, oak chairs, [illegible] books, and a large assortment of China, ruby of every description, gold-band and decorated China, ruby and clear glass, French china and silver cutlery, with a large assortment.

T. SOULDSMITH, Auctioneer.

LARGE, POSITIVE AND PEREMPTORY SALE.—Rich and elegant furniture, rosewood [illegible] inlaid with pearl, a splendid instrument, [illegible] extension table, cutlery, &c.—T. SOULDSMITH, auctioneer, will sell, THIS DAY, (Friday) March 12, at the residence No. 116 West 27th-st., near 6th-ave., in part as follows: Splendid pearl-inlaid piano forte, full 7-octave, fully warranted; five suites of richly-carved parlor furniture, covered with satin brocade; splendid rosewood bedsteads, marble-top bureaus, marble-top centre, side and pier tables; rosewood marble-top etageres, with mirror doors and backs; do. corner etageres, rosewood library bookcases, pier and oval mirrors, [illegible] chairs, oil paintings, Brussels carpets, lace curtains, rich painted shades, mantel vases and ornaments, &c.

TO-MORROW, MARCH 13, AT 10½ o'clock.—Heavily-carved rosewood Elizabethan and other bedsteads, 30 pure curled hair and spring mattresses, bolsters, pillows, toilet sets, mantel clocks, mirrors, shades, &c.; also, three solid rosewood marble-top dressing bureaus, with mirrors; marble-top washstands, Tapestry and Brussels carpets, rocking and arm-chairs, spring-seat chairs, and a general assortment of household furniture.

TO-MORROW—Solid oak extension table, walnut dining table, French China tea set, table cutlery, silver-plated ware, such as spoons, forks, casters, ladles, dinner and tea sets, &c.; also, cane-seat chairs, carpets, hall hat-stand, &c.

Catalogues at sale, which will be without regard to the weather. Cash required. Carmen will be in attendance to remove goods if necessary. House to let. Possession immediately.

T. Nash, Auctioneer.

LARGE SALE OF SPLENDID HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.—Rich Willton and velvet carpets, costly French parlor furniture, rosewood piano forte, 7-octave, elegantly inlaid with pearl, and solid pearl keys, one of the most superb instruments ever made, valuable oil paintings, pearl and silver cutlery, &c.; at No 81 West 16th-st., near 5th-av. T. NASH will sell, TO-MORROW, (Saturday,) at 10½ o'clock, the entire furniture of the above house, including the best description, consisting of large and lofty pier and mantel mirrors, superior Wilton carpets, three full suits solid rosewood and parlor furniture, few of which are covered in satin brocade, and one in silk velvet, all made to order and in perfect condition; richly carved centre, side and pier tables, with marble tops; splendid oil paintings on canvas and glass, marble and bronze vases, with a large and beautiful collection of mantel vases and unique parlor ornaments, chandeliers, &c.

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T. Bravery, Auctioneer.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, AT 12 1-2 o'clock, at the Merchants' Exchange, by order of George Ehrhardt, Esq., $75,000 of the Second Mortgage Bonds of the Central Railroad Company of New-Jersey. These bonds were taken by the present holder at the time of their issue, two years since, for investment. The New-Jersey Central Railroad Company has never failed to meet its engagements. It has a finished road, on 40 miles of which is a double track with six rails. It has a rapidly increasing business, and prospects equal to those of any road in the country. It is believed that these Bonds are worthy the attention of capitalists. The capital stock is $3,000,000; 1st mortgage bonds, $1,000,000; 2d mortgage bonds, $1,500,000.

Edward H. Ludlow, Auctioneer.

VALUABLE RESIDENCE ON TWENTY-NINTH-ST., AT AUCTION.—E. H. LUDDOW & CO., will sell at auction on TUESDAY, March 16, at 12 o'clock, at the Merchants' Exchange, (unless previously disposed of at private sale,)

TWENTY-NINTH-STREET.—The handsome and well-built 3-story brownstone front house and lot No. 62 East 29th-st., between 4th and 5th-aves. The house is 22x58 feet, in elegant order, well located, and contains all the modern conveniences. Maps and full particulars at the auctioneer's Office, No. 14 Pine-st.

Henry H. Leeds, Auctioneer, Salesroom No. 23 Nassau-st.

HENRY H. LEEDS & CO. WILL SELL AT auction, on SATURDAY, March 13, at 10½ o'clock, at the salesroom, No. 23 Nassau-st.:

Household Furniture, consisting of Brussels and ingrain carpets, mahogany sofas and chairs, in hair-cloth, mahogany French bedsteads, iron do., 1st-c. hair mattresses, Boston rocking chairs, marble-top dressing bureaus, [illegible] washstands, Voltaire and easy chairs, covered in leather, towel-racks, clocks, in all embracing a general assortment.

Bangs & Hoyt, Auctioneers—Office No. 239 Broadway.

DANIEL S. BOUGH WILL SELL, AT auction, THIS DAY, (Friday,) March 12, at 10½ o'clock A. M., from the private residence No. 248 West 32d-st., near 8th-av., all the splendid furniture contained in the house. A necessary description is impossible; it is appreciable, and must be seen. The catalogue, now ready, contains over 400 lots of superior first-class furniture, and a large quantity of elegant decorations, works of art, &c. Sale positive, and no postponement on any account.

A. D. Gale, Auctioneer.

AUCTION NOTICE—SPRING SALE.—A. D. GALE, No. 49 Dey-st., will sell at auction, on TUESDAY, March 16, at 10 o'clock, A. M., about one thousand cases of Boots, Shoes, Brogans, and Rubbers. The goods have been accumulating several weeks on account of the dullness of the season, and must be sold. This sale offers a rare opportunity to lay in a Spring stock comprising a general assortment.

Albert H. Nicolay, Auctioneer.

BY ALBERT H. NICOLAY, OFFICE No. 4 Broad-st.—Regular auction sales of Stocks, Bonds, Notes, and other securities every day. Stocks and Bonds bought and sold at private sale, and at the Brokers' Board. Sale THIS DAY, at 12½ o'clock, at the Merchants' Exchange. For full particulars see catalogues, or Journal of Commerce, Courier and Herald, Express.

E. H. Ludlow, Auctioneer.

NEW-BOWERY, LATE 373 PEARL-STREET.—Auction (peremptory sale, by E. H. LUDLOW, at the Merchants' Exchange, on FRIDAY, 12th inst., at 12 o'clock, a lot on the west side of New Bowery, a few doors above Franklin-square. This is a most important street, and property upon it will soon command very high prices.

Simon Draper, Auctioneer.

BY SIMON DRAPER, OFFICE NO. 48 Pine-st., corner of William.—Regular Auction Sales at the Merchants' Exchange EVERY DAY. Stocks and Bonds bought and sold at private sale. Sale THIS DAY at 12½ o'clock. See catalogue.

ASSIGNEES' SALE OF BOOKS IN QUANTITIES, FRIDAY and SATURDAY, March 12 and 13, at 4 o'clock each day.

GEO. A. LEAVITT & CO., Auctioneers, Nos. 377 and 379 Broadway.

Catalogues ready.

Great library sale on Tuesday and Wednesday, 16 and 17.

## AUCTION SALES.

Joseph M. Kissam, Auctioneer.

ASSIGNEE'S SALE.—THE SUBSCRIBER, Assignee of KELLY, TOWNSEND & CO., will sell at public auction, by JOSEPH M. KISSAM, on Tuesday, at Georan's Hotel, at Mount Vernon, in the County of Westchester, in the State of New-York, on the 16th day of March, inst., at 12 o'clock, noon, all the estate, right, title and interest of FREDERICK M. KELLY, EZRA J. TOWNSEND and EDWARD STEPHENS, (who composed the said firm of KELLY, TOWNSEND & Co.,) of, in and to all that certain piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the town of Eastchester, in the County of Westchester and State of New-York, bounded and described as follows: On the north by the southerly line of the New-York and New-Haven Railroad; on the east by the centre of Hutchinson's River; on the south by land late of Isaac Valentine, and on the west by the road leading from Eastchester Village to White Plains, containing within said bounds sixty-three acres and ten-hundredths of an acre of land, be the same more or less.

SPENCER GREGORY, Assignee.

## FINANCIAL.

ASHLEY & NORRIS,
STOCK AND NOTE BROKERS,
No. 23 Exchange-place, New-York.

O. D. Ashley. John B. Norris.

REFERENCES:

Wm. A. Booth, Esq., President American Exchange Bank; C. O. Halstead, Esq., President Manhattan Bank; Hon. Wm. B. Ogden, New-York.

Franklin Haven, Esq., President Merchants' Bank; J. Amory Davis, Esq., President Suffolk Bank; Messrs. Gilbert & Sons, Bankers, Boston.

Messrs. Ogden, Fleetwood & Co., Chicago, Ill.

Messrs. Fincher, Lynde & Miller, Milwaukee, Wis.

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Having correspondents in all the principal cities of the Union and the British Provinces, we are enabled to negotiate Exchange and make Collections on the most favorable terms. Drafts for sale, in sums to suit, on all the principal points of the country. Stocks and Bonds of every description bought and sold on commission. Loans and Time Paper negotiated.

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solicit orders for the purchase and sale of all kinds of securities. Collections made in all parts of the country.

Treasury Department, Feb. 13, 1858.

OFFICIAL.—NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT sealed proposals will be received at this Department until the 16th day of March, proximo, for the sale of any portion, or the whole, of five millions of dollars in treasury notes in exchange for gold coin of the United states deposited with the Treasurer of the United State, the Treasurer of the Mint at Philadelphia, the Treasurer of the Branch Mint at New-Orleans, or the Assistant Treasurers at Boston, New-York, Charleston or St. Louis, within ten days from the acceptance of such proposal, under the authority of the Act of Congress, entitled "An Act to authorize the issue of Treasury Notes," approved 23d December, 1857.

The treasury notes will be issued upon the receipt here of certificates of deposit with those officers to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States. They will be made payable to the order of such bidder or bidders as shall agree to make such exchange at the lowest rate of interest, not exceeding six per centum per annum, and will carry such rate from the date of the certificate of such deposit.

The proposals must state the rate of interest without condition and without reference to other bids, and contain no other fractional rates than one-fourth, one-half or three fourths of one per centum. Five per centum of the amount to be exchanged must be deposited with one of the Treasury officers above enumerated, whose certificate of such deposit must accompany each proposal, as security for its fulfillment. If the proposal is not accepted, immediate directions will be given to return such deposit. Should the proposals be variant from the provisions of the Act of Congress, or of this notice, they will not be considered.

All proposals under this notice must be sealed, and inscribed on the outside, "Proposals for Treasury Notes." They will be opened at this Department at 12 o'clock, M., on said 16th day of March.

HOWELL COBB,
Secretary of the Treasury

THE NEW-YORK CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY.—Treasurer's Office, Albany, March 3, 1858.—Any of the outstanding debt certificates or premium bonds of this Company, of the denomination of $100, (the same being without coupons attached, and it being therefore necessary to present the same semi-annually for the payment of the interest thereon,) will be purchased by the Company for the sinking fund, at the market rates for the larger denominations of the same issue, current at the time such certificates may be offered for sale.

The purchases referred to will be made either at this office or at the banking house of Messrs. DUNCAN, SHERMAN & CO., in the City of New-York, and remittance made, without charge, by draft on New-York or Albany, as may be preferred by the seller.

The number of such $100 debt certificates outstanding at this date is 158.

GILBERT L. WILSON, Treasurer.

IOWA STATE 7 PER CENT. BONDS.—THE Subscribers offer for sale $50,000 of the Seven per cent. Bonds of the State of Iowa, due Jan. 1, 1865. Coupons payable 1st January and July. Principal and interest payable in the City of New-York.

The Revised Constitution of the State limits the debt to $250,000, and the law authorising the loan sets aside a specific portion of the State tax for the payment of interest and the principal at maturity.

Full particulars with copies of the Constitution and Law may be had on application to

CLARK, DODGE & CO., No. 51 Wall-st.

OFFICE OF THE ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY—New-York, Feb. 18, 1858.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Illinois Central Railroad Company, for the election of Directors, and the transaction of any other business that may properly come before the meeting, will be held at the office of the Company, in the city of Chicago, Illinois, on WEDNESDAY, March 17, 1858, at 10½ o'clock A. M.

The Transfer Books will be closed at the New-York office on the 16th of March, and reopened on the 22d.

By order, of the Board of Directors.

W. K. ACKERMAN, Secretary.

$150.000 TO LEND IN ONE OR IN any sum over $10,000, on strictly first-class New-York improved property only. Also, on the same security, the following sums: $9,000, $8,000, $6,000, $4,000, $3,000, $2,500, $1,000, and other sums. Also, $6,000 and $3,000 to lend on Brooklyn property.

E. SALTONSTALL, Broker, No. 39 Wall-st.

$20,000—$10,000, $7,500 AND OTHER sums to loan on bond and mortgage on good City property. Apply to H. HENRIQUES, No. 15 William-st.

$5,000 WANTED—FOR ONE YEAR, FOR which bond and mortgage security will be given, and 10 per cent. per annum will be paid. Address M. P. P., Times office.

NORWICH AND WORCESTER DIVIDEND Scrip, Hudson River Dividend Scrip, and Illinois Central notes, purchased by

E. A. BENEDICT, No. 39 William st.

## DIVIDENDS.

NEW-YORK CONSOLIDATED STAGE CO.—DIVIDEND.—The President and Directors of this Company have declared a semi-annual dividend of five per cent., payable to the stockholders on and after the 15th inst., at the Pacific Bank. The transfer books will be closed from the 12th to the 15th inst., inclusive.

By order of the Board. J. CAMPBELL, Jr., Treasurer.

Office of the Phenix Fire Insurance Co., (Branch, Brooklyn,) No. 64 Wall-st., New-York, March 9, 1858.

DIVIDEND—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared a semi-annual dividend of ten per cent., payable on demand at their Wall-st. office.

PHILANDER SHAW, Secretary.

March 1, 1858.

THE JEFFERSON INSURANCE COMPANY have declared a dividend of $3 per share, payable on demand.

GEO. FARMER, Secretary.

## BANK NOTICES.

Mariners' Savings Institution, Third-avenue, corner of Ninth-street.

MONEYS DEPOSITED ON OR BEFORE April 1 will bear interest from that date, at the rate of 6 per cent. on sums of $500 and under, and at 5 per cent. on sums over $500.

Bank open daily from 9 A. M. to 2 P. M., and on Wednesday and Saturday Evenings from 5 to 8 o'clock.

THOMAS B. STILLMAN, President.

Philip W. Enos, Chas. Miles, } Vice-Presidents.

I. T. Smith, Secretary.

NOTICE.—THE EAST RIVER BANK WILL BE opened for business and will receive deposits on and after SATURDAY, March 13, 1858.

W. S. CARMAN, Cashier.

## INSURANCE.

MARKET FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
OFFICE NO. 27 WALL-STREET.

At the annual election held on the 8th instant,

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| PHILETUS H. HOLT, | STEPHEN LININGTON, |
| JOSEPH P. WICKHAM, | ENOCH KETCHAM, |
| SILAS DAVIS, | WILLIAM A. CUMMINGS, |
| OLIVER H. SHEPARD, | HENRY LYLES, Jr., |
| HENRY ROWLAND, | BREWSTER VALENTINE |
| ALFRED L. ROWE, | GEORGE B. WHITFIELD, |
| WILLIAM P. MILLER, | ALBERT HAVEMEYER, |
| STEPHEN W. GAINES, | ISAAC H. SMITH, |
| ELISHA L. WALTON, | TEUNIS W. QUICK, |
| NELSON SHERWOOD, | ROBERT P. SAGE, |
| HENRY G. REEVE, | DAVID M. TURNURE, |
| DANIEL T. WILLETS, | JOSE T. NAVARRO, |
| ALBERT L. DE CAMP, | ASHER TAYLOR, |
| JOHN M. BRUCE, Jr., | EDWARD BILL, |
| BENJAMIN H. HOWELL, | NATHANIEL W. CHATER, |

were elected Directors of this Company for the ensuing year; and at a meeting of the Board of Directors held this day, BENJAMIN H. HOWELL, Esq., was reelected President, and ASHER TAYLOR, Esq., was reelected Vice-President. HENRY P. FREEMAN, Secretary.

New-York, Feb. 9, 1858.

## DANCING.

A. DODWORTH'S DANCING ACADEMIES
No. 806 Broadway, New-York.
No. 157 Montague-place, Brooklyn.

Classes will be continued until June 1. Pupils received any time.

## PUBLIC NOTICES.

NEW-YORK CHAMPLAIN CANAL.—NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.—REPAIRS ON CHAMPLAIN CANAL.—In pursuance of Act, Chapter 146, Laws of 1857, and of a Resolution of the Contracting Board, notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received by the undersigned, at the Canal Commissioners' Office, in the city of Albany, until Tuesday, the 13th day of April next, at 10 o'clock A. M., for furnishing all the materials and performing all the work necessary or that may be required, to keep in good repair, and in good navigable condition, during each time in each year as the Canal Commissioners, or Commissioner in charge shall direct, for a period of five years from the 15th day of May next.

SECTION NO. 1 CHAMPLAIN CANAL.

Penalty in Bond.....$7,000

Together with all and each of the Side Cuts, Structures, Feeders and Reservoirs connected therewith.

Every proposal shall be accompanied by an affidavit indorsed thereon of each person uniting in such proposal, that he is not directly or indirectly interested in any other proposal for the same work or materials, or any part of the same; that he has no agreement or understanding with any other person to become interested in any other proposal or contract for the same work or materials, or any part thereof; and that no other person than such as shall be named in the proposal is interested in the same, or has any agreement or understanding to become interested in any contract that may be made in pursuance of such proposal.

Every proposal for the above-mentioned work or materials must be accompanied with a bond to the people of this State, in the penalty specified above, and which bond shall be signed by the party making such proposal, and two or more responsible sureties, with such evidence of their responsibility as the Contracting Board shall require, and which sureties shall justify in sums equal in the aggregate to twice the amount of such penalty.

Each proposal must be accompanied by the certificate of the Supervisor of the town, and the County Clerk, or the County Judge of the County in which said surety shall reside, or any two of them, as to the responsibility of said sureties.

The persons to whom the work may be awarded will be required by the contracting Board to give the bond for the payment of laborers' wages, as required by chapter 278, of the laws of 1850.

No acceptance of a proposal or award of a contract by the contracting Board, and no contract made by them, or any interest in the same, shall be assignable to any person or persons, without the written consent of the Canal Commissioners.

The Commissioners will reserve fifteen per cent. of the amount of each relative monthly estimate of work done and materials delivered, as a security to the State for the performance of the contract, and at the expiration of the third month of each year the fifteen per cent. thus retained during the previous year shall be paid to the contractor, providing the provisions of the contract shall have been fully complied with.

In case the contracting Board shall be of opinion that the proposals made at any meeting thereof, pursuant to any advertisement, are, in consequence of any combination or otherwise, excessive and disadvantageous to the State, they may decline all or any of the said proposals, and advertise anew for the work and materials embraced therein.

The person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to receive the boats, tools, and other implements specified in the following schedule, and allow therefor the respective prices therein stated, viz.:

SCHEDULE

Of Property belonging to the State on Section No. 1 Champlain Canal, together with the valuation of the same:—

4,065 feet B. M. Hemlock Timber and Plank, $51 04; 698 do. Mill Boards, $12; 250 do. Pine Lumber, $6 25; 56 do. Oak Lumber, $1 50; 3 Bridge Caps, $6; 23 unfinished Wheel Barrows, $22; 4 set Gin Poles, $4; 6 Stone Boat Plank, $1 50; 2 Stone Scows, $500; 2 small Boats, $150; 6 Stone Boats, $3; 6 Draft Chains, $10; 1 Desk and Table, $4; 1 Table, $3; 1 Fluid Lamp and Can, $1 50; 2 large Pinch Bars, $8; 1 Boom Derrick, $10; 1 Anchor, $3; 3 Bog Hoes, $1 50; 12 Cast Steel Drills, $22; 1 Crab, $7; 1 Pump, $8; 1 Water Pump, $4; 1 Dipper, $3; 1 Ice Hoe, 36c.; 1 File Auger, $8; 2 Steam Frames, $2; 73 Steel Shovels, $36; 4 Axes, $3; 34 Picks, $34; 2,100 pounds old Iron, (Cast,) $21; 1,400 pounds old Iron, (Wrought,) $21; 54 Wheel Barrows, $81; 4 Bridge Hooks, $3; 3 Cross-cut Saws, $4 50; 4 Scrapers, $4; 3 Shackle Bars, $3; 12 Augers, $8; 2 Lanterns, $1; 2 Boat Pumps, $2; 500 pounds old Lead, $6; 12 Rock Bars, 12 Rock Hammers, $3; 3 Adzes, $4; 4 Wrenches, $3; 2 Pike Poles, $1; 15 Sledges, $15; 6 Oil Cans, $2; 1 pair Blacksmith's Tongs, 50c; 2 Spike Mauls, 50c.; 1 pair Portable Bellows, $4; 1 Paint Brush, 12c.; 4 Pad Locks, $1; 4 Work Benches, $4; 1 Bench Screw and Vise, $1; 1 Iron Vise, $2; 1 Anvil, $3; 1 Gravel Solve, $3; 10 pounds White Lead, 12c.; 3 Tool Chests, $4; 50 Mill Bucks, $5; 4 Saw Benches, $1; 2 Grindstone Cranks, $4; 2 Hammers, $1; 34 Crow Bars, $34; 50 pounds Dock Spike, $4 50; 100 pounds Cast Bridge Framings, $5; 1 Steam Box and Boiler, $3; 10 Stoves and Pipes, $40; 45 Dock Sticks, $45; 250 pounds Spike, $11; 2 Grout Boxes, $1; 2 Pit Saw Bucks, $2; 1 Roll Stout, $2; 1 Pile Driver, $50; 3 Rakes, $2; 3 Ladders, $3; 3 Breaking Irons, 50c.; 10 Tackle Blocks, $10; 1 pair Paddle Gates and Fixtures, $50; 25 yards Quarry Stone, $25; 1 Ice Breaker, (sunk,) $3. Total, $1,453 54.

The aggregate of the same to be paid in twelve equal monthly payments.

The person or persons to whom the work may be awarded, will be required to enter into contract for the performance of the work within ten days after the same shall have been notified to him or them, upon the terms prescribed by the contracting board.

The name or names of the persons proposing, must be written out in full, with their places of residence.

The specifications and blank propositions and forms of contracts and bonds will be ready for examination at the above mentioned office, ten days prior to the time specified for the letting, which will be held, March 8, 1858.

SAMUEL S. WHALLON, CHARLES H. SHERRILL, JOHN M JAYCOX, } Canal Commissioners.
V. R. RICHMOND, State Eng. and Surveyor.
NATHANIEL S. BENTON, Auditor.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—TO CONTRACTORS.—Public notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received at the City Surveyor's Office of the City of Hoboken, up to the twenty seventh day of March, 1858, when the same will be opened at a meeting of the Council of said City to be held at 7½ o'clock P. M. of that day, for grading, curbing, guttering, paving, and flagging sidewalks in the following streets in said city, viz.: Newark-st. from Washington-st., to the line ditch; 3d-st., from Washington-st. to 100 feet West of Willow-st.; 4th-st., from Hudson-st. to River-st.; 5th-st., from Garden-st. to the westerly line of Willow-st.; 7th-st., from Washington-st. to the easterly line of Garden-st.; Meadow-st., from 2d-st. to 4th st.; Garden-st., from 5th-st. to 6th-st.

All the above work to be done and finished according to plans and specifications made by W. W. Shaw, Esq., City Surveyor, which plans and specifications are to be seen at his office, opposite the Ferry gate, at Hoboken, and the said work to be fully completed on or before the first day of June next.

No proposals will be received except according to a form, to be obtained at the City Surveyor's office, and accompanied with the names of at least two sufficient securities.

CORPORATION DOCKS AND SLIPS TO BE LEASED AT PUBLIC AUCTION.—Notice is hereby given that the several docks and slips belonging to the Corporation of the City of New-York, which are to be leased from the 1st of May next, will be leased on bids at public auction on THURSDAY, March 18, 1858, at 12 o'clock M., at the City Hall, for a term of five years. The number and location of the piers and slips to be leased, and the terms and conditions of sale, may be obtained, on application at the Comptroller's Office, No. 5 Hall of Records; and maps exhibiting the Corporation Wharves and Piers, may be seen at the same place. Department of Finance, New-York, Feb. 4, 1858.

DANIEL TIEMANN, Mayor.
A. C. FLAGG, Comptroller.
GEO. O. BARNARD, Recorder.
A. V. STOUT, Chamberlain.
THOMAS McSPEDON, Ch'n Fin. Com. B'd of Alder'n.
HENRY ARCULARIUS, Ch'n Fin. Com. B'd of C'n.
Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

SATHER & CHURCH, OF SAN FRANCISCO, having, by an assignment made by them to the undersigned, PETER NAYLOR, given a preference in payments out of the assigned estate to drafts of amounts not exceeding one hundred dollars, drawn on Sather & Church upon the American Exchange Bank, whether payable at the counter of that Bank or elsewhere, or upon Drexel & Co., or upon the agents or correspondents of Drexel & Co., notice is hereby given to the holders of all drafts so preferred that they are required to present such drafts for payment to the undersigned, at his office, No. 84 Broad-st., in the City of New-York, on or before the first day of April next; and that, in default of such presentment within that time, the holders of such drafts will, in pursuance of a provision to that effect contained in the said assignment, be liable to lose the benefit of the preference so provided for them. PETER NAYLOR, Assignee of Sather & Church.

New-York, Jan. 2, 1858.

## BUSINESS CHANCES.

$4.000 TO $5,000.—PARTNER WANTED—In a respectable, established, cash business of seven years' standing, paying a net profit of from $7,000 to $10,000 per year. Unquestionable references given and required. Security given for the amount invested, if required. Address C. C. CHILDS, Times office, New-York.

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## FOR THE SOUTH.

FOR CHARLESTON AND FLORIDA.—SEMI-WEEKLY UNITED STATES MAIL SIDE-WHEEL STEAMSHIP LINE.—The magnificent and fast-going steamship NASHVILLE, L. M. Murray, Commander, will leave pier No. 4, North River, on SATURDAY, March 13, at 4 o'clock P. M., precisely. For freight or passage apply to SPOFFORD, TILESTON & CO., No. 20 Broadway. The favorite steamship JAMES ADGER, S. C. Turner, Commander, will succeed, and leave on WEDNESDAY, March 17. The favorite and large steamers EVERGLADE, CAROLINA and St. MARYS, connect at Charleston, for Florida, with the steamers from New-York. Through tickets may be had by applying as above.

FOR NORFOLK AND RICHMOND—THE United States Mail Steamship JAMESTOWN, Capt. Parsons, will leave on SATURDAY, 13th inst., at 3 o'clock P.M., from Pier No. 13 North River. She will arrive at Norfolk on Sunday afternoon, and at Richmond on Monday morning. Passengers for the South will proceed directly on by the great Southern mail line. Travelers will find this the cheapest, pleasantest and most expeditious route. Passage and fare, including stateroom, to Norfolk, $6; Petersburg and Richmond, $10; steerage half-price. Apply to LUDLAM & PLEASANTS, No. 23 Broadway.

FOR SAVANNAH AND FLORIDA.—U. S. MAIL LINE.—The favorite steamship FLORIDA, Capt. Isaac Gaynor, will leave on SATURDAY, March 13, at 4 o'clock P. M., from Pier No. 4 North River.

Bills of Lading signed only on board.

For freight or passage apply to

SAMUEL L. MITCHILL & SON, No. 12 Broadway.

Steamers for Florida connect at Savannah, leaving every Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

The ALABAMA, Capt. R. R. Sumner, will succeed and leave on WEDNESDAY, March 17.

## FOR EUROPE.

THE NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL UNITED STATES MAIL STEAMERS.—The ships composing this line are:

The ATLANTIC, Capt. Comstock.
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These ships have been built by contract expressly for Government service, every care has been taken in their construction, as also in their engines, to insure strength and speed; and their accommodations for passengers are unequaled for elegance and comfort.

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Price of passage from New-York to Liverpool, in first cabin, $100; second do., $75. From Liverpool to New-York, 20 and 21 guineas. An experienced surgeon aboard each ship. No berth can be secured until paid for.

PROPOSED DATES OF SAILING.

| FROM NEW-YORK. | | FROM LIVERPOOL. | |
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| Saturday, Jan. 16 | 1858 | Wednesday, Feb. 3 | 1858 |
| Saturday, Feb. 13 | 1858 | Wednesday, March 3 | 1858 |
| Saturday, March 13 | 1858 | Wednesday, March 31 | 1858 |
| Saturday, April 10 | 1858 | Wednesday, April 28 | 1858 |
| Saturday, April 24 | 1858 | Wednesday, May 12 | 1858 |
| Saturday, May 8 | 1858 | Wednesday, May 26 | 1858 |
| Saturday, May 22 | 1858 | Wednesday, June 9 | 1858 |
| Saturday, June 5 | 1858 | Wednesday, June 23 | 1858 |
| Saturday, June 19 | 1858 | Wednesday, July 7 | 1858 |

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EDWARD K. COLLINS, No. 56 Wall-st., New-York.
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The owners of these ships will not be accountable for gold, silver, bullion, specie, jewelry, precious stones, or metals, unless bills of lading are signed therefor, and the value thereof expressed therein.

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AFRICA, Shannon, leaves N. Y. Wednesday, April 14
AMERICA, Moodie, leaves Boston Wednesday, April 21

Berths not secured until paid for.

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| First Cabin | $80 | First Cabin | $100 |
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| Steerage | 30 | Steerage | 30 |

In the first-class paddle-wheel steamship ARIEL, 2,000 tons, E. D. Ludlow, Commander, and NORTH STAR, 2,500 tons, Edward Cavenny, Commander, to sail from Pier No. 3, North River, at noon precisely, carrying the United States Mail, viz:

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| Ariel.....March 20 | Saturday, April 17 | Wednesd'y, April 28 |
| North Star. April 17 | Saturday, May 15 | Wednesd'y, May 19 |

The steamships touch at Havre. Specie delivered in London and Paris. For passage or freight, apply to

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FOR SOUTHAMPTON AND HAVRE.—THE United States Mail steamer FULTON, J. A. Worth, commander, will leave for Havre, touching at Southampton, to land the mails and passengers, on SATURDAY, April 3, at 12 o'clock, from Pier No. 37 North River, foot of Beach-st.

This ship has five water-tight compartments inclosing the engines, so that in the event of collision or stranding, the water could not reach them, and the pumps being free to work, the safety of the vessel and passengers would be secured.

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# NEW-YORK CITY

## POLICE COMMISSIONERS.

**Recognition for a Sanitary Police in the Harbor—The Board Serves with a Peremptory Mandamus in the Case of one of the Old Policemen—Mayor Fowell Offers Resolutions in Favor of Concurrence with the Late Decision of the Supreme Court, which are Tabled—Reports and Decisions on Charges, &c., &c.**

Yesterday the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Police met at their office, in accordance with previous adjournment. All the members were present, and an immense concourse of applicants and spectators crowded the room, the hall and the street in front, even to the opposite side.

The minutes of the former meeting were read and, after a verbal correction at the instance of Mr. Bowen, were approved.

Mayor TIEMANN said he had received a communication from Dr. Thompson, of the Quarantine Station, and that an application from a large number of merchants, in regard to the placing of some policemen to guard the shores—or to go between the vessels at Quarantine and the shores—in order to prevent all communication between the shores and vessels having the fever on board that afflicting Dr Thompson had stated, on investigation, that he was satisfied the yellow fever on Long Island last Summer was carried there by communication between the infected vessels and the shore, and that in endeavoring to trace the yellow fever outside the Quarantine buildings or fence, he had discovered that there never had been a case of the communication of yellow fever that might not be traced to the intercourse carried on between those infected vessels and the shore. He (the Mayor) asked that a force of men be placed by the Board on the waters between on the Quarantine ground and the shores of Staten Island and Long Island. The Commissioners of Emigration had undertaken to furnish the boats, if this Board would furnish the men.

Mr. BOWEN concurred in the necessity of appointing some man specially for the purpose in question. He supposed it would be found expedient to increase the Harbor Police, with that view, and moved that the matter be sent to the appropriate Committee.

Mayor TIEMANN said he was going to suggest that the Commissioners refer the matter for investigation to the Mayor of Brooklyn and himself, because, in their capacity as members of the Board of Health, they were probably better able to deal with it. It was not proposed that he and the Mayor of Brooklyn should have the power of appointing men for this purpose. That, of course, would remain with the Executive Committee.

Mr. NYE moved if it was important that this should be done at this time.

Mayor TIEMANN replied that it was important that it should be done at once.

Mr. NYE stated that the Police Board had furnished some men regular men last summer for the purpose, and that they had arrested a man named Hagan for communicating with vessels against the Quarantine regulations.

Mayor TIEMANN said the force required would not be very large. They did not want over three men in a boat at a time.

Mr. BOWEN was of opinion, from thinking over this matter for the last few days, that perhaps the better plan would be to detail men in the boats, and place them all in charge of the commanding officer of the Harbor Police.

Mayor TIEMANN said they might be detailed for that business during the Summer months and subjected to that command.

The matter was referred to the regular Committee, (the Mayors of New-York and Brooklyn to be members ex-officio for the occasion,) with power.

Mr. John D. DEVEREUX handed in a peremptory mandamus to the Board in the case of James McCune, and Mr. Lorenzo B. Shepard presented the judgment of the Court in the case of Gambling vs. The Police Commissioners, as follows:

The document was as follows:

*The People of the State of New-York to the Board of Police of the Metropolitan Police District of the State of New-York—Greeting:*

Whereas, James McCune, on the 15th day of April, 1857, when the act entitled "An act to establish a Metropolitan Police District, and to provide for the government thereof," was passed, and took effect, was a Policeman, duly appointed and commissioned by warrant under the act entitled "An act in relation to the Police Department in the City and County of New-York," passed April 13, 1853, and thereafter became, by virtue of said act of April 15, 1857, a member of the Police force and Patrolman of the Metropolitan Police District thereby constituted; and whereas, although the said James McCune can read and write the English language, and is a citizen of the United States, and resided in the City of New-York, within said Metropolitan Police District, during the five years preceding his appointment as Policeman aforesaid, which took place in September, 1854, and never been convicted of any crime, and was and is by law, in every respect, qualified to hold and discharge the duties of the office of Policeman or Patrolman, under said act of April 15, 1857.

Nevertheless, you, the said Board of Police, have, without written charges being preferred against him, said James McCune, or any opportunity being afforded him of being heard in his defence, and without cause, unjustly, illegally, and without jurisdiction in that behalf, or for that purpose, removed him, the said James McCune, from his said office of Patrolman, and deprived, and continue to deprive him of the profits and emoluments thereof, and of his arrears of pay since June 26, 1857, and refused, and continue to refuse, to recognize him as, or permit him to, exercise the powers and duties of the office aforesaid of the Police force of the Metropolitan Police District, to the grievous damage of the said James McCune, as we are informed by his complaint, and which complaint we have adjudged to be true, as appears to us by record.

Wherefore, we being willing that full and speedy justice be done in this behalf to him, the said James McCune, as it is just, command you firmly, enjoining you that immediately after the receipt of this writ you restore him to the aforesaid office of Patrolman and member of the Police force of the Metropolitan Police District, and permit him to exercise the same, and to take the profits and pay thereof, and that you discharge his arrears of pay aforesaid; and in what manner this our command shall be executed make appear to our said Court, at Special Term, at Chambers, in the City of New-York, on the 19th day of March instant, at 10 o'clock A. M. on that day, then sending back to us this our writ.

Witness the Hon. HENRY E. DAVIES, one of the Justices of our said Supreme Court, at the Court-house, in the City of New-York, the 11th day of March, 1858.

By the Court,
RICHARD B. CONNOLLY, Clerk.

JOHN C. DEVEREUX, Attorney for Relator.

General NYE promised that the *mandamus* should be attended to in due time. Mr. Devereux insisted that it required immediate action.

The Chairman reported the evidence in the charge against H. T. Jones, and moved that the complaint be dismissed. Carried.

Mr. BOWEN reported against the complaint in the case of Charles Varick, and on motion, this charge also was dismissed.

Mr. Bowen brought before the Board the case of Mary Foss, charged with obtaining four dollars fraudulently from a woman whose husband was arrested, and said he had no doubt Foss ought to be dismissed. He retired temporarily whilst the evidence in the case was being read.

Foss, the policeman convicted of stealing $4 from a woman on a fraudulent pretence, was unanimously discharged from the force.

Mr. SHANAHAN presented the resignation of Joseph Hoffman, of the Third Precinct of Brooklyn, which, on his motion, was unanimously accepted.

Mr. NYE reported the evidence on the charges against officer Butler of the Tenth Precinct, officer Gillet of the Twenty-first, officer Hugh L. Dean of the Fourth, officer John F. Casey of the Twenty-second, and officer Thomas O'Gorman of the Fourth, and moved that the several complaints be dismissed, on the ground of insufficient evidence of guilt. Carried in every case.

Mr. BOWEN reported the evidence in the cases of officers Higgins and Albertson and moved that the charges against them be dismissed, which was carried.

Mayor FOWELL presented the subjoined preamble and resolution:

*Whereas*, The Supreme Court at General Term after full argument, and upon mature deliberation has decided that the proceedings of this Board in removing Policeman without giving them personal notice of the charges made against them, and of the time and place of trial, are illegal and void, and that all persons who were members of the Police force of the City of New-York on the 28th day of April last, were continued in office by the Metropolitan Police law, and are now members of the force, entitled to do duty unless they have been removed according to law;

*And, whereas*, It is the duty of all public officers to obey and execute the laws as they are interpreted by the Courts; therefore,

*Resolved*, That this Board do now acknowledge the rights of the members of the Police force as it existed on the 28th of April last, as the Supreme Court has declared them, and that we do now accept the services of the said Policemen, reserving to this Board the right to try and dismiss any or all again t whom charges in due form of law may be made.

Mayor FOWELL said, in support of his resolution, that he believed it was drawn in strict accordance with the decision of the Supreme Court at its general term, quoting, in part, the language of that decision, and he thought it was very proper that the Board should take some action in the matter.

Mr. BOWEN—Well, Mr. Chairman, I suppose that if this decision be law, no resolution of this Board can effect it. No resolution of this Board can destroy or neutralize the action of the Courts. I see no occasion for passing the resolution at present. Better lay it on the table.

Mayor FOWELL—This resolution, Mr. Chairman, simply expresses the willingness of this Board to acquiesce in the decision of the Court. Last Summer the Court at a General Term decided in favor of the constitutionality of the Metropolitan Police Law, and great stress was laid upon that fact. It was claimed as a final decision and that all opposition to the law should cease upon that point. If that was a good argument in the one case it is an equally good one in the other, and it is now time for the Board to act in conformity with it. I have no doubt the decision of that Court will be confirmed by the Court of Appeals. I do not know whether the members of this Board have seen the decision in full. I have been at the trouble of obtaining an accurate copy.

Mayor TIEMANN—Has this Board been furnished with a copy of that decision, officially.

Mr. BOWEN—No.

Mr. NYE—I have seen it.

Mr. BOWEN—I think the Mayor of Brooklyn is mistaken in regard to the position taken by the members when in regard to the decision taken by the members of this Board last Summer. It was that after the adjudication of the Supreme Court, in full bench, all opposition ought to cease. We had no obnoxious opposition ought to cease. We had no obnoxious opposition, on the contrary, were desirous that that decision should be carried up to the Court of Appeals, and there finally determined. We were as anxious as the opponents of this law were, that it should be carried to the Court of Appeals. All we desired was that our men should not be clubbed in the street by these Municipal Police, and that the public authorities of the City of New-York should acquiesce for the time being in the decision of that Court. We did not ask that those gentlemen should rest. We were anxious that the question should be carried up on appeal as they were.

Mayor FOWELL—I would ask, Mr. Chairman, if what was factious in that case—if it was factious—would not be factious in this? Is it not factious in this Board to oppose the decision of the Court under like circumstances?

Mr STRANAHAN—If the Mayor intends this as a rebuke to us, I would pray him to remember from whence that factious opposition came before.

Mayor FOWELL—I do distinctly remember that, and I am happy to say that I gave no opposition to the law from the beginning.

Mr. NYE—But you acquiesced in others being factious.

Mayor TIEMANN—The experience we have had was that that faction was all wrong. Now, then, if it is worth while to get up another faction, would it not be wrong to follow a bad example?

Mr. BOWEN—But we do not mean to get up any faction.

Mayor TIEMANN—If the Supreme Court decides that these men are policemen, I presume that this Board will recognize them as policemen at once.

Mr. NYE—It seems to me that the Court have thrown some light on this very question which the Mayor of Brooklyn is proposing. By solemn adjudication they have said that notwithstanding this factious opposition of these men, they yet remain policemen—and the fact that they did oppose the law, even after the decision of the Supreme Court, and refused to recognize the authority of the Board appointed under the law, is not held as evidence that they were not entitled to be regarded as policemen, even though they were acting under a separate, and independent, and illegal, and unauthorized organization. I undertake to say there is no law, and there never was a law since Mr. Wood was Mayor, that authorized him to take control of the police force of the City of New-York. They were under the charge of a Board of Commissioners—three of them; and notwithstanding that the Commissioners failed to act with him, and notwithstanding the fact that a *mandamus* was brought by him against Judge Russell, which became too gauzy to stand the scrutiny even of the casual observer, yet he had this force under his sole and direct command. He ordered them to come and surrender their arms, which they did. He dismissed them formally, which dismissal they obeyed. And yet the Court seems to say that after all this opposition to the law, and in face of the adjudication upon it, these men are still policemen. Now, this is not a case presenting the same parallel with that formerly decided, at all. In the first place, this is no new law. The law itself has been adjudicated upon, and has been held to be good. This is simply a legal construction upon certain rules of this Board. Now, while I have the highest regard for all judicial tribunals, and while I obey, and will obey, with most implicit obedience, their mandate, yet the law has wisely provided, and therein it has given the same protection to this Board that it does to any individual, that before he submits to what he considers an erroneous construction of law, he has a right to take the judgment of the Court of dernier resort of the State. I entertain no doubt—though perhaps I am judging from the constitutionality of the law or the construction of the law—I entertain no doubt, I say, that the Court of Appeals will as quickly reverse this judgment as it is presented. And I think that if the Supreme Court would go back and review their own judgment, get the facts all before them as they were found first, and reason from the premises as they really are, they would reverse it themselves.

Mr. BOWEN—Well, Mr. Chairman, I suppose we can do nothing with this.

Mr. NYE—I don't think we are called on to have any resolves about it. Of course there is an imperative outcaste in the way of restoring these men. We have got all the men but a very few that the Supervisors say we can have.

Mayor FOWELL—But, according to this decision of the Court, the proceedings had in the discharge of these men were irregular, and not according to law. It says they were not discharged by due process of law, nor by the rules established by this Board itself.

Mr. NYE—Precisely. But here is a question which they do not decide at all, or, if they do decide it, I think they do so erroneously. They put the stress alone ther upon the fact that these men were not served personally with notices. Now, in my judgment, the case does not rest upon that point at all. I don't think it does; neither do our counsel. The case rests upon the fact whether men can stand in open rebellion to a law, and whether, when the law has said that they shall obey certain other men, instead of the men that the former law said they should obey, can, for three months, openly disregard the transfer of authority that the law has pronounced, and yet claim to be members of the force, though disregarding and defeating its authority.

Mayor FOWELL—The Court have decided that question.

Mr. NYE—They have not.

Mayor FOWELL—They have, most emphatically.

Mr. NYE—They have not argued the question in the decision I read.

Mayor FOWELL—This is the decision of Judge Davies.

Mr. NYE—that is all the decision there is.

Mayor FOWELL—He claims that the Court have decided that these men were not dismissed.

Mr. NYE—That is the only point they have decided. They do not discuss the question, and say whether that is tantamount to a withdrawal, under another provision of the law, which refers to that.

Mayor FOWELL—Let us take a case that may occur to-day. Suppose a man, who is a member of the police force in full standing at the present time, neglects to perform his duty, goes away for one day, or for forty days, then returns to his duty, and no objection is made—is that tantamount to dismissal.

Mr. NYE—But there is a section of the rules which says that if a man voluntarily leaves the force and abandons all its duties, he is to be considered as having withdrawn. If a man absents himself for 40 days he has evidently withdrawn.

Mayor FOWELL—Yes, but if he returns to his duties and no action be taken against him, he has not withdrawn and cannot be dismissed till action is taken against him.

Mr. NYE—But, suppose you hire a man for twelve months, and you agree to give him a written notice of dismissal; then, suppose he leaves you within ten days, and goes to Illinois or elsewhere, or to another man's work, and you don't know where he is, though he were obedient to your authority, do you suppose the law would compel you to give him that notice?

Mayor FOWELL—Certainly not; but that is a different thing.

Mr. NYE—No; it meets this case exactly.

Mayor TIEMANN—It seems to me it will be time enough to discuss this when the decision is served officially on the Board. My opinion is, that if you will go to the Court of Appeals they will decide as the lower Court has done.

Mayor FOWELL consented to have action on the matter postponed until the decision of the Supreme Court should be formally sent in to the Board. With that the discussion dropped.

The Board then went into secret session.

☞ The Schools of the National Academy of Design, under the charge of Professor CUMMINGS, which have been open to the art-student during the past season free of charge, close for the season on the 13th inst. The Thirty-third Annual Exhibition will open in their Galleries on Monday, April 12, after the private reception, which will take place on the evening of the 12th.

A FROM VENEZUELA.—By the arrival of the bark *Venus*, Capt. ATKINSON, we have received advices from Curacoa to Feb. 14. There is some rumor in Venezuela of a revolution in favor of Gen. PAEZ.

BURGLARY.—John Masterson was arrested Wednesday, charged with breaking into the grocery store of Mathew Sullivan, No. 90 Willet-street. Mr. Sullivan found the accused and an accomplice in his store, about 2 o'clock yesterday morning. He captured Masterson, but his confederate escaped. The prisoner was taken before Justice BEEKMAN, and committed for trial. He says he went into the place while drunk. The parties got into the store by breaking through a rear window.

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[Advertisement.]
PURDY'S NATIONAL THEATRE.—To-night Miss JULIA DALY takes her benefit at this popular Theatre, and presents an entertainment worthy of especial notice. On Monday is to be produced HARRY SEYMOUR'S dramatic representation of the incidents in the India war, to be entitled "Jessie Brown; or, Havelock's Last Victory," which (judging from the rehearsals) promises to be of sterling merit, and will, no doubt, produce a great sensation. Manager PURDY has spared neither money nor care in its preparation, and his stage manager, Mr. G. L. FOX, under whose direction the piece will be placed on the stage, has been untiring in his efforts to make it both brilliant and effective.

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ONCE MORE A VICTORY.—"The Bride of an Evening" has proved a success of the most exciting character at Barnum's Museum. A perfect furore has been produced already by this new American drama. Mrs SOUTHWORTH, who wrote the story, has immortalized herself by it. Mr. WAYNLIN, the dramatizer, has now an apotheosis for his fame. Everybody admires it; everybody praises it; everybody goes to see it, to applaud it—to shout with delight over its fascinating scenes. To-night it is to be repeated. Who would lose the chance of witnessing anything so bewilderingly beautiful?

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GAS, GAS.—Call at the great dépôt of ARCHER, WARNER & Co., No. 376 Broadway, for new gas fixtures at Hard Times prices. Selling off our entire stock.

### Brooklyn Items.

The Kings County Court of Oyer and Terminer was opened yesterday, when the following Grand Jury was impannelled. EDWARD DRIGGS, Foreman; Demas Strong, William Simonson, Sanford S. Brod, Stephen Livingston, William A. Keteler, William Holmes, Joseph Wilson, Charles Manger, William C. Booth, Charles Cook, George C. Bennett, J. B. Brice, Augustus Campbell, Stephen B. Stoothoof, Timothy Bannon, Henry P. Freeman, William H. Crane, Ira B. Lane. Judge LOTT charged the jury that they must find indictments for violations of the fifteenth section of the Liquor Law, and if they differed with the District-Attorney, upon any other section, he would advise them further. The jury retired, and the circuit calender was taken up.

An incorrigible thievish marine was drummed out of the service at the Navy-Yard, on Wednesday last. He was tried by a Court Martial and sentenced to be kept in irons for one week and fed on bread and water. The week expired on Wednesday. Just at evening, as the workmen were leaving the yard, he was brought out accompanied by a file of marines, a card with "thief" written upon it was pinned to his breast, and to the tune of the "Rogue's March," executed in fine style by a detachment from the *North Carolina* Band, he was drummed out of the yard and service, amid the hootings of hundreds who had assembled to witness the proceedings.

Detectives VAN WAGNER and FROST paid a flying visit to a policy-shop on Atlantic-street yesterday afternoon and arrested the proprietor, a man who gave his name as BRITTAN. He was committed to answer.

Mr. ILLIG, of the firm of ILLIG & KRAUS, manufacturers of lagier-bier, fell from a loft of his brewery, yesterday, to the ground, and sustained serious injury.

ROBERT T. BYRNES, arrested in Brooklyn for swindling and fraud, has been committed to jail, in default of $6,000 bail.

### Burning of Steamer Eliza Battle.

**FORTY LIVES LOST!—TWELVE HUNDRED BALES COTTON LOST.**

*From the Mobile Advertiser of March 4.*

We received intelligence yesterday of a terrible calamity on the Bigbee River—the destruction by fire of the steamer *Eliza Battle*—and, what is worse, a frightful loss of life. It appears that the disaster occurred about 2 o'clock on Monday morning, about a half or three quarters of a mile above Kemp's Landing, when the *Battle*, with some 50 or 60 passengers, and 1,200 or 1,300 bales cotton on board, took fire and was completely consumed. As far as ascertained, thirty-three lives were lost, consisting of the crew and passengers, (about one-half each,) and all the cotton, except some 15 or 20 bales.

The fire had its origin among the cotton bales on the after deck under the cabin, and although the flames made but little progress at first, a strong North wind (almost a gale) soon spread to all parts of the boat, and the passengers were compelled to seek safety for their lives in the retreating in their night clothes. The boat was headed for the shore, but the river being high and out of its banks, and the wheel-ropes burned, a landing could not be effected. She was, however, driven among the trees, where she lodged until the engines ceased to work, (the intensity of the heat driving the engineers from their posts,) when the passengers were enabled to effect an escape by clinging to the limbs and branches of trees, and upon bales of cotton thrown overboard.

After the wheels stopped, the boat swayed around and was driven across the river by the force of the wind. This fortunate circumstance probably saved the lives of many of the survivors, as they must otherwise have perished in the flames of the boat. The mate and pilot and some others on cotton bales floated down the river some four miles, shouting for help before boats could be obtained. These were then carried across the river and hauled on wagons to the scene of disaster, when the survivors on the trees were carried to land. It is proper to state that all efforts to get to the yawl were rendered fruitless, as the flames cut off all means of access to it. An attempt was then made to launch the life-boat, but before a sufficient force could be mustered the fire drove the party away.

It is due to Captain STONE to say, that when assistance arrived he gave orders to save the women and children first, and was himself the last to be taken off. It will be seen by the statement below, that the most of the lost were frozen, having been more or less in the water, and subjected three or four hours to the cold northern blast. The residents of the vicinity, as soon as they learned the disaster, rendered what service was in their power. No cause for the fire is known, unless it was by sparks from the steamer *Warrior*, which boat was met passing to the windward about half an hour before the flames were discovered. All of the books and papers of the boat were lost, and with the exception of one or two carpet-bags, every particle of baggage also. The *Battle* belonged to Messrs. COX, BRAINARD & Co., and was not insured. What the amount of loss is it is impossible to ascertain.

The following is a list of those ascertained to have been lost:

Mrs. B. Cromwell and child, frozen, Sumter County.
Mrs. H. G. Turner and child, frozen, Washington County.
Mr. W. T. Smith, frozen, Green County.
Mr. Caradine, frozen, Chickasaw County.
Mr. Willis, frozen, Chickasaw County.
Mr. Augustus Jones, frozen, Columbus, Miss.
Mr. Martin, frozen, Kentucky.
Mr. John Powell, barkeeper, frozen, *Eliza Battle*.
Dr. S. W. Clanton, frozen, Warsaw, Ala.
A young man, unknown, frozen, Fairfield, Ala.
Negro man belonging to B. L. Turner, frozen.
Negro man, "Jackson," barber, frozen, *Eliza Battle*.
Barnett, cook, frozen, *Eliza Battle*.
Nancy, chambermaid, belonging to S. G. Stone, master of the *Eliza Battle*, frozen.
Robert, cabin-boy, belonging to Col. T. Buford.
Dick, cabin-boy, belonging to Judge R. C. Torrey.
Jim, cabin boy, belonging to Jno. Foster.
White boy, (third cook,) name unknown.
Sam, Peter and Jack, deck hands, belonging to J. A. Mooring.
Bill, deck hand, belonging to R. G. McMahon.
Allen, deck hand, belonging to John Bowen.
Ben, deck hand, belonging to Dan Raine.
Rev. Mr. Newman, frozen, from Louisville, Ky.
M. A. Galloway, never seen, Gainesville, Ala.
Three white deck hands, never seen.
P. Kirkland, died after getting ashore, Greene Co., Ala.
Mrs. Cromwell and her child, died from cold, in her husband's arms, in a tree.
Dr. S. H. Jones, never seen, Greene Co., Ala.

The bodies were not recovered of the following: Dr. S. H. Jones, M. A. Galloway, Rev. Mr. Newman, white boy, 3d cook; Jack, negro; Bill, negro; three white deck hands; chambermaid.

EXTENSIVE FAILURE AND FORGERIES IN VIRGINIA.—The Lynchburg *Courier* of Saturday says: "Our community has been considerably exercised for the last day or two on the subject of certain developments regarding the operations of a citizen of Bedford, whose business transactions in this city have been of a heavy character. The party to whom we allude, Mr. Wm. GIBE, has long been a leading merchant and heavy trader in Bedford, and has heretofore borne the character of being a man of large means and reliability. It has now come to light, however, that he has for some time been sustaining himself and credit by a species of financial operations and forgeries which have brought ruin and dishonor upon himself and have made many others. To meet his engagements he has had recourse to the expedient of a wholesale forgery of various promissory notes on business paper, which paper he has from time to time passed to other persons at very enormous discount.

It is presumed that there is not less than $100,000 worth of his paper, the most of which doubtless bears forged indorsements, now held by different persons, many of them in this city. We hear of various persons here who hold it in sums ranging from one up to five thousand dollars. The persons whose names are forged are, we believe, all citizens of Bedford. The liabilities of this skillful operator are very heavy—and he leaves no effects—having made disposition of all his property some time since. He has left for parts unknown. When last heard from he was in Richmond.

# COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS.

For Markets see Third Page.

**Sales at the Stock Exchange—MARCH 11.**

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| $3,000 Tenn. St. 6s, '90 | 89¼ | 220 Harlem R. R. | 12¾ |
| 4,000 do | s60 89 | 200 do | b30 13¾ |
| 1,000 Missouri State 6s | 89¾ | 10 do | 13¾ |
| 4,000 do | 84 | 210 Harlem R. R. Pref | 23 |
| 3,000 Ohio St. 6s '86 | 100 | 200 Reading Railroad | 59¾ |
| 2,000 Brooklyn City 6s | 97 | 200 do | 59¾ |
| 1,000 N. J. Cen. R. 6s | 90 | 100 do | s10 59¾ |
| 1,000 N. Y. Cen. R. 7s | 101¾ | 200 do | c 59¾ |
| 1,000 E. R. R. Con. Bs '71 | 86¾ | 200 do | s15 59¾ |
| 1,000 do 2d M. Bs '63 | 84 | 200 do | b60 60 |
| 1,000 Hud. R. R. 1st M. | 96 | 100 do | s60 60¼ |
| 1,000 Har. R. R. 1st M. | 94 | 100 La C. & Mil. R. R. | 13 |
| 7,000 Mich. Cen. 8 per ct. 1st M. S F Conv. Bs | 101¾ | 29 do | 10¾ |
| 2,500 Ill. Cen. R. Bs | 94¾ | 50 Mich. Cent. R. R. | 73 |
| 3,000 Ill. Free bds. | b15 90¾ | 100 M. So. & N. In. R. R. | 26¾ |
| 8,000 do | c3 90 | 50 do | s30 26¾ |
| 3,100 L. C. & M. L. G. B | 28¾ | 1022 do | 27 |
| 4,000 do | 28¾ | 50 do | s60 26¾ |
| 1,000 G. & C. 2d M. bds. | 90 | 150 do | b30 27¾ |
| 5,000 H. & St. J. R bds. | 86 | 100 do | b10 27¾ |
| 5000 C. B. & Q. R. R. 8 Wcent. bds. | 92 | 200 do | b30 27¾ |
| 8 Bk. State N. Y | 102 | 100 M. So. & N. In. p. f. | 35 |
| 5 Market Bank | 101¾ | 200 do | s60 22 |
| 6 Commonwealth Bk. | 90 | 175 do | 21¾ |
| 25 Amer. Ex. Bank | 105¾ | 50 do | b10 22¾ |
| 45 Imp. & Trad. Bank | 100 | 100 Panama Railroad | 106¾ |
| 5 do | 99¾ | 100 Ill. Cen. R. R. | b10 96 |
| 50 Cary Imp. Co | 8¾ | 45 do | 96 |
| 100 Penn. Coal Co | b30 73 | 30 do | 97¾ |
| 100 Pac. Mail St. Co | 99¾ | 10 Ga. & Chic. R. R | 93 |
| 100 Brooklyn City R'rd Co | 3 | 125 do | 93¾ |
| 150 N. Y. Cent. RR. | b10 96¾ | 100 Cleve. & Pitts. R. R. | 113¾ |
| 200 do | b3 91 | 6 Cle. Col. & C. R. R. | 98 |
| 100 do | s3 90 | 50 Cle. & Tol. R. R. | 48 |
| 250 do | s10 96¾ | 100 do | b30 47¾ |
| 200 do | b60 91 | 100 do | s3 47¾ |
| 50 Erie Railroad | 29¾ | 200 Chi. & R. I. R. R. | s10 81¾ |
| 200 do | 29¾ | 100 do | s3 81¾ |
| 100 do | 29¾ | 200 do | 82 |
| 50 do | s10 29¾ | 200 do | s60 81¾ |
| 250 do | s60 29¾ | 100 do | b10 83 |
| 400 do | c 29¾ | 200 do | b30 83 |
| 516 do | 30 | 50 do | b60 83 |
| 25 do | b10 30 | 100 do | 82¾ |
| 50 do | 30¼ | 100 do | b30 82¾ |
| 50 do | b30 30¼ | 100 do | 83¾ |
| 50 do | 30¾ | 50 Mill. & Mis. R. R. | 37 |
| 470 Hudson River R.R. | 32 | 30 New Jersey Rail'd | 126 |
| 50 do | s60 31¾ | 200 Manhat'n Gas Sc'p. | 119¾ |
| 25 do | b60 32¾ | 40 Bank North Amer. | 106 |
| 50 do | 32¾ | 35 Del. & Hud. Can. Co. | 112¾ |

**SECOND BOARD.**

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| $3,000 Cal. St. 7s, '75 | 92¾ | 100 Harlem Railroad | 14 |
| 3,000 N. Car. State 6s | 94 | 500 do | 13¾ |
| 1,000 Tenn. St. 6s, '90 | 89¾ | 200 Reading Railroad | s3 60 |
| 10,000 do | 89¾ | 100 do | s30 60 |
| 4,000 Mich. Cen. R. 8 p. ct. 1st m. S F Cn b. | 101¾ | 50 do | b3 60 |
| 2,000 Gal. & C. 2d m. b. | 80 | 100 do | s10 60 |
| 3,000 Mil. & M. 2d m. b. | 76 | 45 Mich. Cent. R. R. | 73¾ |
| 100 Canton Co | 24 | 150 Gal. & Chic. R. R. | 94 |
| 100 do | 24¾ | 100 do | b30 94¾ |
| 50 do | 24¾ | 100 M. S. & N. In. R. R. | 26¾ |
| 10 Pacific Mail St. Co. | 70 | 50 do | b10 27 |
| 10 do | 70¼ | 50 Mich. S. & N. In. p. f. | 51¾ |
| 50 do | b30 71 | 25 do | 50 |
| 50 do | 70¾ | 25 do | s10 50 |
| 110 Mil. & Miss. R. R. | 37¼ | 50 Panama R. R. | 108¾ |
| 100 do | b30 38 | 5 Ill. Central R. R. | 96¾ |
| 150 N. Y. Cen. R. R. | s60 91 | 100 do | 96 |
| 300 do | 92¾ | 550 Clev. & Tol. R. R. | b3 48 |
| 100 do | s10 92¾ | 200 do | b10 48 |
| 100 do | b10 92¾ | 100 do | b30 48¾ |
| 200 do | b10 92¾ | 50 Chic. & Rk. Is. R. R. | 94 |
| 100 do | 92¾ | 100 do | 94¾ |
| 500 Erie Railroad | 31 | 150 do | 95 |
| 300 do | 31¾ | 100 do | b30 95 |
| 100 do | b30 31¾ | 50 do | 94¾ |
| 100 do | s10 31¾ | 200 La Crosse & Mil. R. | 10¾ |
| 100 do | b30 31¾ | | |

**REPORTED SALES BY AUCTION.**

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| $2,000 Milwaukee and Horicon R. R. 8s. | Int. add. 49¾ |
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| $6,000 Indianapolis and Cin. R. R. 10s. | Int. add. 75 |
| $7,000 Milwaukee City 7s | Int. add. 50 |
| $5,000 Lexington & Big Sandy R. R. 7s | Int. add. 20 |
| $5,000 Detroit, Monroe & Tol. R. R. 7s | Int. add. 50 |
| $3,000 Marietta & Cincinnati R. R. 7s | Int. add. 7 |
| $10,000 Chic. City Water Loan 6s | Int. add. 94¾ |
| $2,000 Tennessee 6s | Int. add. 88¾ |
| $2,000 Wheeling City 6s | Int. add. 25 |
| $3,000 Illinois Central R. R. 7s | Int. add. 91¾ |
| $235 Atlantic Mutual Ins. Scrip of 1856 | 92 |
| $250 Atlantic Mutual Ins. Scrip of 1857 | 81¾ |
| $1,450 Atlantic Mutual Ins. Scrip of 1857 | 82¾ |
| $3,470 Atlantic Mutual Ins. Scrip of 1858 | 72¾ |
| $190 Union Ins. Scrip of 1849 | 60¾ |
| $240 Union Ins. Scrip of 1850-51 | 58¾ |
| $120 Union Ins. Scrip of 1852-54 | 51 |
| $320 Sun Mutual Ins. Scrip of 1852 | 75¾ |
| $900 Sun Mutual Ins. Scrip of 1853 | 57¾ |
| $210 Sun Mutual Ins. Scrip of 1855 | 50¾ |
| $130 Sun Mutual Ins. Scrip of 1856 | 48¾ |
| $400 Sun Mutual Ins. Scrip of 1856 | 47¾ |
| $1,330 Sun Mutual Ins. Scrip of 1856 | 50 |
| $220 Sun Mutual Ins. Scrip of 1857 | 46 |
| $200 Sun Mutual Ins. Scrip of 1857 | 45¾ |
| $5,000 Lexington City 6s | 47 |
| 100 shares Oriental Bank | 99¾ |
| 10 shares Nassau Bank | 97¾ |
| 50 shares Ocean Bank | 90¾ |
| 50 shares New-Amsterdam Fire Ins. Co | 117¾ |
| 20 shares Beekman Fire Insurance Co | 113¾ |
| 12 shares Eagle Fire Insurance Co | 153¾ |
| 5 shares Manhattan Gas Light Co | 130¾ |
| 60 shares Great Western Marine Ins Co | 103 |
| 45 shares Second-avenue Railroad | 68 |
| 110 shares National Bank | 110 |
| 30 shares Artisans' Bank | 80 |
| 30 shares Bank of the Republic | 117¾ |
| 5 shares Bank of the Republic | 117 |
| 20 shares Park Bank | 95¾ |
| 10 shares Marine Bank | 86 |
| 12 shares St. Mark's Fire Insurance Co | 114¾ |
| 10 shares Metropolitan Fire Insurance Co | 100 |
| 10 shares Indemnity Fire Insurance Co | 95 |
| 5 shares Resolute Fire Insurance Co | 105 |
| 20 shares Resolute Fire Insurance Co | 103 |
| 75 shares Brooklyn Gas-Light Co | 123 |
| 100 shares Brooklyn City Railroad | 96¾ |

THURSDAY, March 11—P. M.

The evidences of the growing cheapness of Money yesterday and to-day are more decided than at any time since the present season of ease and abundance set in. We hear of large lines of prime paper being taken at 6 ⅌ cent. ⅌ annum, 4 to 6 months to run, and shorter dates as low as 5 ⅌ cent. The report applies as well to a number of the large Banks, where the Southern and Western Spring deposits are running up rapidly, as to outside lenders. At call, money is supplied quite freely, when applied for by borrowers at 5@6 ⅌ cent. on first-class collaterals, and deposits are occasionally offered to the old-established Brokers, below the inside figure. In Foreign Exchange there is a prospect of some business to-morrow for the screw-steamer *New-York*, for England, sailing on Saturday morning. The rates for Sterling are quite unsettled on a falling market. We call the rates from 108¼ to 109 ⅌ cent. for first-class names. The European news by the *Canada* at Halifax, again strengthens confidence in bills against Cotton, of which the supply from the South is increasing.

A considerable number of 5 ⅌ cent. deposits have already been made with the Sub-Treasurer on bids for Treasury Bills at Washington next Monday. The largest deposits will be made to-morrow and on Saturday by City bidders, such as the Savings Institutions, Trust Companies and Banks. There is no difficulty or embarrassment about the form of bidding, nor is there the slightest legal doubt about the terms stated in the official advertisement of the Secretary of the Treasury, under whose direction the subject is expressly placed by the act of Congress. A morning cotemporary is mistaken in supposing he has not the right to decline conditional bids, such as "the whole or none." A combined bid, if lower than the lowest, may take the whole $5,000,000, but small bidders need have no fear of being cut out by any conditional, or average or scaling arrangement for the "whole or none."

The temper of the Stock Market and character of the buyers yesterday afternoon indicated a reaction in favor of better prices. The recovery to-day is about equal to 1¼@2 ⅌ cent. on the general Share list, the improvement being best sustained at the close on the first-class Road shares, like New-York Central 92¼, Rock Island 84¼@85, Galena 94¼,